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THOMAS F. DELEHANTY, Who Took a Prominent Part in the Spinners' Convention in Boston for the Past Two Days.

EXTRA

SPAIN IS NOW UNDECIDED

Wavering Between War and Peace but Strengthening Her Fleet.

Telegram From Rome Considered at Special Session of Cabinet—Americans Safe at Havana—Affairs Quiet at Washington.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—Great disappointment is experienced at the United States legation at the hitch, now pronounced to be serious, which seems to have occurred last night. The Spanish cabinet met at five o'clock and was in session for several hours, but the meeting ended without an announcement that the Cuban armistice proclamation would be issued today. The Austrian ambassador, Count Dubsky, had another conference with the United States Minister Woodford last night.

It is still hoped here that President McKinley's message to Congress has been postponed that the original programme will be carried out.

FALL IN STOCKS.

Barcelona, April 7.—Spanish fours which closed at 67.80 were quoted today at 68.30.

CABINET MYSTERIES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7, 1.33 a. m.—There appears to be much mystery connected with last night's events. It seems that after the regular cabinet meeting had adjourned and Premier Sagasta had returned home, the Papal Nuncio, Mgr. Nava, in company with the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gullon, arrived with a communication from Rome. This was considered of such importance that the other ministers were summoned and remained in consultation until 1.30 a.m. It is said the result to their deliberations was telegraphed to Rome, from which it was cabled to the United States.

TO STRENGTHEN FLEET.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—The Cabinet at last night's session took steps to strengthen the fleet, raise funds to meet war expenses, if war comes. The populace throughout the city was loud in its denunciations of the disposition of the ministry to yield to the demands of the Pope or to make any reasonable concession to avoid war.

SUPPLIES FOR WAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Key West, Fla., April .—The Mallory line steamer Comal arrived here this morning from New York with large quantities of provisions and ammunition for the government.

AMERICANS SAFE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—A cablegram from Consul General Lee, received this morning, announces that 200 Americans have taken their departure from the Island and that all is quiet in Havana. After a conference with the President, Representative Grosvenor stated today that there would be no change of any importance, at least in the message intended for submission yesterday unless there is a change of facts, which was not at all likely.

A UNIQUE SCOOP

By the Enterprise of the Daily News.

HOW FAKE JOURNALISM DECEIVES THE PUBLIC.

The Sun Alone Gives the Latest News.

It is about time The Sun should do something to show up the fake journalism by which the Lowell public is deceived at the present day. The instances of such imposition are too numerous to be mentioned seriatim. It would take a larger paper than The Sun to recount them all. Indeed, these articles have been so common of late that they are largely accepted by the unsuspecting as the genuine and reliable article. Let me first take the examples of a single day in a single paper, the Lowell Daily News.

On an electric car yesterday afternoon, I saw a man reading the Lowell News and after he had greedily devoured the "war news" therein, he turned to a friend and said: "Well, I see the President has sent in his message today asking for armed intervention in Cuba."

"Oh, no, he hasn't," replied the other.

"Why, certainly he has. Here is a special despatch to the News which says so," rejoined the News reader, as he held up the paper and pointed to the alleged "special."

The gentleman addressed took the News, and sure enough, read the following on the front page, under the head "LATEST."

News obtained its "Special."

The New York World, as usual, was a little behind the Journal and in this case was so much more fortunate, but it also announced that the President's message would be read.

The News can be relied upon to give a full account of any warlike move at the Dracut Navy yard but for anything further away than Dracut or Frogtown, you will have to read The Sun if you want the latest news.

But this was not all. On the fifth page of the same paper was a four-column picture of the House of Representatives in session and underneath was the line indicating what the scene represented—"THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE IN THE HOUSE." Long before this edition of the News was put on the street, The Sun had bulletined the fact that the President's message would not be given to congress and in the first edition of The Sun, it was stated that the message was promised for 1.30 or 2 p. m., and that it might be postponed to Thursday. That was all that could be reported at 1 o'clock. It covered the situation exactly, but after a conference between the President and the leaders in congress, the final decision that it would not be submitted till Monday was given out. This was bulletined by The Sun and immediately after, the News got out another edition with the statement copied from The Sun bulletin.

On the editorial page of the News of yesterday we read the following legend:

THE NEWS HAS ALL THE FACILITIES FOR GETTING THE LATEST NEWS, WAR OR PEACE, BY TELEGRAPH.

The News seems to have excellent facilities for "Specials," manufactured in the office, or in vulgar parlance "Faked," to be passed off for genuine despatches.

The Sun has the full telegraphic service of the Associated Press for the afternoon and has it exclusively, so that no paper in this city except The Sun can obtain the text of the message if given to congress during the day.

The Sun has its telegraphic operators at work during the entire day in its own office on a special loop from the leased wire from the Associated Press and is fully covered on all happenings of importance in every part of the civilized world. In its three daily editions is to be found the best service of news, both local and telegraphic that can be found in any paper in the United States.

Those who buy Boston or New York papers in hopes of getting the latest news of the world, or of the relations between Spain and the United States are no better off than if they bought the Lowell News. They simply throw their money away. When you see anybody buying the News, the New York or Boston papers in the afternoon to find the latest telegraphic news, you can make up your mind at once that that person is ignorant of the distance those papers are behind the time. The New York papers as a rule, are from twenty to twenty-four hours behind The Sun. None of the afternoon papers, except The Sun has anything but the "pony" service of the Associated Press, which is always late and is very limited. The Sun has more real live news on its bulletins than you can find in all the afternoon Lowell papers put together.

The New York Journal, yesterday's edition, that was printed at 11 o'clock on the previous night, of course, said that the President's message would be given to Congress at 1 p. m. yesterday.

The night edition of that paper which reaches Lowell about 6 o'clock also announced that the message would be read and proceeded to give the gist of the document, as if the Journal had been privileged to read the message before it was given to the public. The Journal, no doubt, got its information from the same source from which the

RICHARD J. FLYNN, Who Is Organizing a Volunteer Company of the Sons of Veterans.

Richard J. Flynn, who is organizing the young volunteers, is the son of Michael Flynn, who served in the 16th Mass. Reg't, Co. G., and for one year and nine months in Battery F, Artillery. Mr. Flynn desires to get a regiment of sons of veterans together, to go to the front if necessary. At the last meeting of the volunteers, Mr. Gilman, commander of Camp Farragut, S. of V., was chosen temporary chairman, and Lieut. Leonard of Camp Farragut, temporary secretary. At the meeting tomorrow night, it is hoped that all sons of veterans will be present. There are 4000 sons of veterans in this city, and Mr. Flynn thinks he should be able to get at least 1500 of them into his regiment.

SPINNERS' MEET

Action Taken at the Boston Convention.

MR. DELEHANTY GETS RING SPINNERS ADMITTED.

Important Movement by the United Bodies.

At the semi-annual convention of the National Mule Spinners' association at 324 Washington street, yesterday, it was voted to admit the ring frame spinners. The situation at New Bedford was taken up and the treasurer reported a large sum of money on hand. It was voted that the spinners in that city should continue the strike.

The secretary was instructed to investigate the Taftville strike, in which 900 people are involved, and it was resolved to raise funds for the strikers of Androscoggin, Me.

The delegate representing the spinners of Lawrence stated that wages in the Atlantic mills of that city had been reduced until they had become lower than the wages of spinners in any other New England textile center. Secretary Ross was appointed to investigate the complaint.

Reports were received from various districts on the opening day of the convention and the general tone indicated that in most cases where there had been a cut-down, the average cut had been from 5 to 10 per cent. Holyoke's delegates reported that the cut in their district had been small. Fall River reported that it had been 11½ per cent. Taunton reported no reduction. Waltham reported a cut of 4 per cent, Biddeford, 10 per cent., Brunswick, 11½ per cent., and Lewiston about 10. Dover and Somersworth delegates reported no cut.

Manchester had been cut about 10 per cent., and the delegate from that district furnished the surprising news that seven pairs of new mules were recently put in for the spinning of hosiery yarn. The surprise in this connection is wholly due to the fact that the impression has prevailed that the tendency has been to decrease rather than increase the number of mules for the spinning of hosiery yarn. It was said that about 40 of these mules were to be put in at Manchester.

Rhode Island delegates reported a 10 per cent. cut in the Slater's mills, and 8 per cent at Manville. At Taftville there had been a cut of 10 per cent. and some of the operatives had struck.

The delegate from Lowell brought up the question of the advisability of changing the law of the organization so as to admit the ring spinners. This latter class comprises boys and girls who run certain machinery in opposition to the mule machines operated by men. The proposition was very ably supported by the Lowell and Fall River delegates.

A CLEVER TRICK

By Which Two Lowell Crooks Get Money

FROM J. W. CONNOR'S STORE IN NASHUA.

One of Them Arrested in Lowell.

James Ganley, who was arrested in this city, was taken to Nashua yesterday. The Nashua Telegraph has the following account of the robbery in which it is alleged he was concerned:

"A bold robbery took place in the store of the Nashua Boot and Shoe company at 8.40 Monday evening.

"The robbers worked the scheme in this way. Two men entered the store while a third kept watch on the outside. While one man engaged the attention of Manager J. W. Connor, who was alone in the store at the time, the second opened the cash drawer, grabbed some $25 in bills which were in the drawer and the two quietly left the store. The robber did not attempt to take the silver which was in the drawer doubtless because he was afraid of making a noise in gathering this up and perhaps he thought there was not sufficient time to secure it. Mr. Connor did not have his suspicions aroused until he went to take his money out of the drawer at closing time and found that he had been robbed.

"The matter was then reported to the police but the men had disappeared. There is a bell on the cash drawer but the man must have had a pretty good idea of the combination which allows the drawer to open without ringing the bell, for he made no noise and did the job so quickly that it proves he must be an adept at such tricks.

"That the men had planned earlier in the day to do the job is very evident, for they visited the store in the afternoon. While one tried to sell a gold medal to the clerk the other two were sizing up the store and getting the lay of the place preparatory to making a raid on the cash drawer. The man did not sell the medal to the clerk, and left the store after a little time. The description of the men given by the clerk tallies with that of Mr. Connors. The clerk had stepped out on an errand when the man came in and stole the money in the evening, and Mrs. Connors had just gone home and thus left the store with only Mr. Connor present giving a clear field to the man who rifled the cash drawer while his companion kept Mr. Connor busy. It was an old trick, but worked in this case to perfection.

"When the men left the store, the clerk was just returning and he saw them quietly proceeding up the street, but he had no occasion to pay particular attention to them.

"Earlier in the evening the men visited the shop of J. H. Kelley on Factory street. They had a couple of gold medals which they tried to pawn. They were the same medals that they attempted to sell to the clerk at the Nashua Boot & Shoe store. Mr. Kelley would not give the men the price they demanded for the medals and they grew abusive. He ordered them out of his place and had some little scuffle at the door with one of the men. He recognized two of the men as Lowell crooks and told the men that he knew them. The name of one of the men is Moranjian and the name of the second Mr. Kelley has forgotten, while the third was a stranger to him. He states that they are dangerous thieves and that they have a bad record in Lowell, which two of them claim as their home. He gave a description to the police and all the information in regard to the men that he knew. The Lowell officers were notified to be on the lookout for the men and this morning sent word to the police here that they had captured a man that answers to the description of one of the trio.

"Deputy Marshal Wheeler, Inspector Flood and Mr. Connor went to Lowell this morning to investigate the matter and see if Mr. Connor could identify the man. If one has been captured, there is good reason to believe the other two will be caught also.

"So far as can be learned the men did not visit any other stores in town and did not steal anything but the money at the one store.

"The officers found that the Lowell police had captured one of the men and Mr. Connor identified him. He was brought to this city and will be tried tomorrow morning.

Fine job printing done at this office.

SPANISH TROOPS

Surprised and Massacred in the Phillipines

HARD FIGHTING BETWEEN THE SPANIARDS AND REBELS.

Insurgents Suffer a Heavy Loss.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Vancouver, B. C. April 7.—From the latest reports from Hongkong, it is learned there have been very exciting times in the Phillipines, the Spanish troops being surprised and massacred. The Bolina staff of the eastern extension telegraph were recently beseiged for five days on account of Spanish soldiers taking refuge there. From a Spanish gunboat marines were landed and the station was opened after hard fighting between the detachment and the rebels. Two days afterward the British cruiser Edgar arrived. At the same time General Monet and one thousand men arrived overland. General Monet said he had five engagements between Bolina and Lingayen. The insurgents suffered heavy loss and the Spanish losses were one lieutenant and one soldier. The garrison and the priests of the neighboring village had been killed, only six soldiers managing to escape.

HAWAIIAN CALAMITY.

A VOLCANO HAS BROKEN OUT, TERRIFYING NATIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., April 7.—Great excitement prevails in the Hawaiian islands, according to passengers who arrived on the steamer Alameda. Two weeks ago the lava in Mauna Loa, from the observations taken at the signal station on the mountain depth 100 feet, and shortly afterward smoke was seen issuing from the crater sometimes in great volume and then again in short jets. The natives were terribly excited over the occurrence and prophesied when the Alameda left that in twelve days there would be a great eruption. For two weeks earthquakes had prevailed, terrifying the people.

DEATHS.

BUTLER—Thomas F. Butler, aged 33 years, died last evening at his home, 5 Howard Place, off Appleton street. He leaves a wife and four children. He was a moulder by trade and was a past chief ranger of Court Middlesex, F. of A. Funeral tomorrow afternoon.

CUBAN INTERVENTION

President's Message Recommends That Only.

[Special to THE NEWS.]

Washington, April 6.—The President's message is now being read in congress.

The scene was a repetition of the day the report of the board of inquiry was admitted. In both houses the galleries are crowded and the corridors thronged with a jostling mass of excited people.

The President does not recognize Cuban independence, but only recommends intervention.

(The text of the message will be found in later editions of The News.)

THE WEATHER.

In New England it now seems certain to continue fair the remainder of the week, with rising temperature and winds becoming southwesterly after today.

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New, all wool, excellent patterns, right style, $3.95, $5.00, $6.00 up to $10.00.
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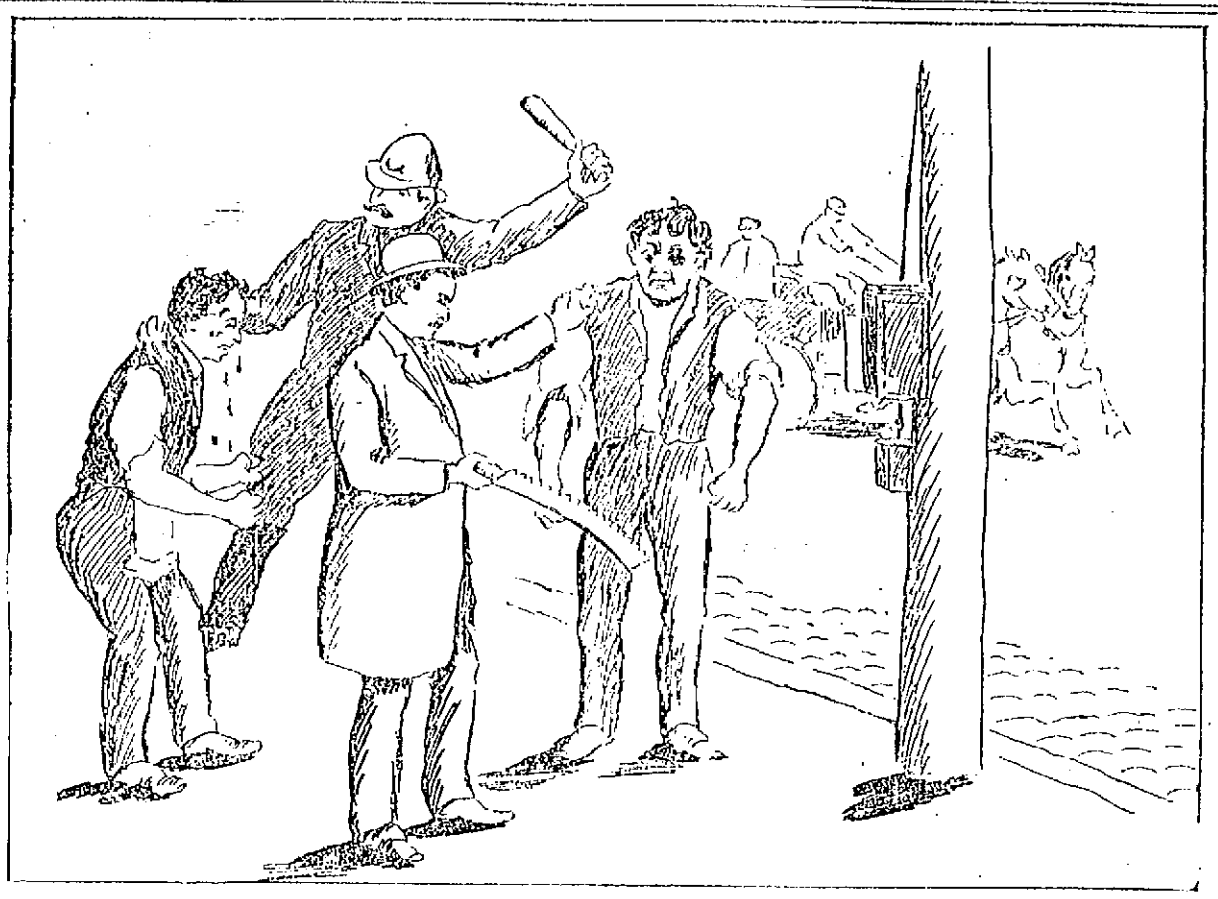

THE MELEE ON MARKET STREET THIS MORNING.

TO OPEN THE MILL GATES

The Treasurers of the New Bedford Mills so Decide.

They are Urged to do so by Priests Whose People are Starving—Employers Say They are Not Anxious to Start Business.

New Bedford, Mass., April 7.—Despite the action of the union of weavers in declaring for a continuance of the strike, the treasurers of the nine cloth mills now on strike, at a meeting last night, unanimously agreed to open the gates Monday morning to such operatives as care to return to work. It is generally believed that a majority of the strikers will go in.

Several days ago two French-Canadian priests waited on the mill men and represented that the suffering among the strikers was pitiable, and that the strikers were not as enthusiastic as they appeared. They were certain that if an opportunity were given, many would seize the chance to go back. These priests urged the manufacturers to make the attempt, and promised to do all they could to persuade the help to bring an end to the suffering.

William W. Crapo, president of the Wamsutta mills, said: "If the help do not care to return to work, or if they make any marked opposition to the return by their brethren, we will again close the gates. We are not anxious ourselves to resume work, but feel that the popular opinion is against a further continuance of the disastrous idleness."

MILL MEN MEMORIALIZE.

Boston, April 7.—A memorial of T. P. Coolidge and others relative to the condition and prospects of the cotton manufacturing industry in Massachusetts was presented in the house yesterday. The memorial is signed by Mr. Coolidge, A. G. Pierce, Charles L. Lovering, Eliot C. Clarke, C. A. Coleman, Eben S. Draper, Harcourt Amory, Thomas E. Brayton, Howard Stockton, Augustus Lowell, George F. Fabyan, A. S. Covel, A. N. Goodale and H. N. Slater, who say that the present conditions and prospects in the cotton industry in this state are sufficiently grave to call for an exhaustive study of the subject. After a review of the situation the memorial concludes:

"If cotton manufacturing in the state becomes unprofitable, one of two things must happen—wages will be reduced, or the business will be abandoned, as has been the case in the iron and glass industries. Either of these consequences would be a great misfortune, which the legislature should, if possible, prevent in the only way in its power: First, by raising the hours of labor at least to the point where they are in every other New England state; and, secondly, by reducing the taxation on manufacturing plants, which is now much in excess of that in high taxed England and in the southern states. The effective way, in our judgment, would be to take off all taxes on machinery, without increasing those on the real estate used for manufacturing purposes.

"The present situation may present itself to some persons as having no deeper significance than a contest between capital and labor, the outcome of which is to be a triumph of one over the other. If this were the truth, there would be no occasion for this communication, and the legislature would have no call to intervene. It is because the difficulty is fundamental and limited to no class of industries in the state that the responsibility in the premises rests upon the representatives of all the people."

TWO-THIRDS ARE READY.

Saco, Me., April 7.—The indications point to a speedy settlement of the three months' strike in the York mill. The backbone of the strike seems to be broken, and it is believed by the business men and the majority of the strikers that if Agent Page consents to open the gates next Monday the mill can be started in every department. Mr. Page is expected home the last of the week, and a committee will then wait upon him and show him a list of names of operatives who have pledged themselves to return under the cut-down. Up to this morning about 1,000 out of 1500 had signed the petition, and the leaders of the movement believe that the managers will agree to make another attempt to start the factory when they learn that such a large number are in favor of returning.

Chairman Larabee, who has taken a prominent part in the strike since its inauguration, is opposed to returning under a cut-down. He predicts that the attempt to end the strike will result in a failure and that not as many will go in as on a week ago Monday. He charges the merchants with having done more to encourage the labor war than any one else, and declares that after making great promises of support they had, after a few weeks, gone back on the textile workers, now doing everything in their power to effect a settlement, and charging himself and a few others with having incited the strike.

PILGRIM FATHERS.

Boston, April 7.—All the supreme officers attended the annual session yesterday of the United Order of Pilgrim Fathers. The supreme governor reported 18 new colonies organized in the year and 2559 members initiated. The running expenses of the order have been 77 cents per member, against 83 cents last year.

The secretary's report gave the total membership Dec. 31 as 23,689. The treasurer reported that he had received for the benefit fund $359,197.81 and paid out during 1897 $352,600. There is a balance of over $100,000 in the general fund. The following officers were elected: Governor, J. S. Taft, Keene, N. H.; lieutenant governor, H. S. Treadwell, South Boston; secretary, J. E. Shepard, Lawrence; treasurer, A. V. Bugbee, Lawrence; trustees, John L. Bates and Edward Lincoln of Boston; Frank E. Sleeper of Sebattus, Me.; William I. Thompson of Lawrence, and Jesse H. Herriman of Haverhill.

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WAR DECLARED.

A SAW USED AS A WEAPON ON MARKET STREET.

Early this morning on Market street near Dummer, there was a scene of great excitement. John Klekabocke, a barber carrying on business in one of the stores in that neighborhood had some kind of a difference with one of the employes and in shorter notice than it would take to tell it, the barber opened war with an ugly weapon in the form of a buck saw blade. Officer Buchanan and a couple of other officers came to the scene, but not until one of the men had been assaulted pretty severely. His face was all cut and besmeared with blood and he presented a ghastly appearance in front of the police signal box awaiting the arrival of the hurry-up wagon, when noble Dick Flynn of the Sons of Veterans fame, came to the scene, and as he wears the mantle of authority which entitles him to the privileges of a constable, he exercised that privilege and made a search of the building, which resulted in his bringing to light a wicked looking weapon in the shape of a buck saw the blade of which was besmeared with blood. Dick held firmly to the handle, probably thinking he would lead a regiment of a thousand strong of the Sons of Veterans to Cuba. In a short time there were over a hundred people assembled about the premises and things looked decidedly warlike. Gallant Dick went to the station, also, so that he might explain intelligently to the keeper the state of affairs. The warriors were landed safely at the police station.

Later it was learned that the trouble arose over the wife of the proprietor of the shop, who washes the towels used in the barber shop.

PEOPLE'S CLUB.

The attendance at the Men's branch continues very large. During March there were 1349 visitors to the Men's branch reading room, a nightly average of 161, and 679 books were taken out. The amusement room reported 2926 visitors, an average of 168. In the Women's branch there were 657 visitors, an average of 20. The pupils in the various classes numbered 187.

At the last meeting of the board of government appropriate action was taken on the death of Mrs. David Gove, for many years a director of the club.

TOMORROW'S SUN

There will be an excellent theatrical page in tomorrow's Sun, with stories of Mme. Melba, Mme. Calve, and other talent from over the sea. Arthur Crispin will write of the stage in Gotham.

A desperate looking man, with two drawn revolvers, is not a pleasant person to meet at a lonely cross-road. Most men will go a long way out of their road to avoid such an encounter. The same men will recklessly neglect their health and court death in the guise of consumption or some other equally fatal disease. One-sixth of all the deaths each year are due to this most fatal of maladies.

Until very recent years, consumption was considered absolutely incurable. It is now known to be curable. During the past thirty years it has been demonstrated that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption, if taken in the earlier stages of the disease before the lungs are too much wasted, also bronchitis, asthma, bronchitis and all diseases of all the air-passages. It acts directly on the lungs, driving out all impurities and disease germs. It soothes the cough, facilitates expectoration, thus thoroughly clearing the lungs. It purifies and enriches the blood and tears down, carries off and excretes old, inert, half-dead tissues, replacing them with the new, firm, muscular tissues of health. It is the great appetite sharpener, blood-maker, flesh-builder, nerve-tonic and restorative. Thousands who had been given up to die have been restored to complete, robust health by this marvelous medicine. Do not buy from unscrupulous dealers who try to force upon you something beside what you ask for. There is nothing to take the place of it, or, which is "just as good" as "Golden Medical Discovery."

"I had the grip, which left me feeling miserable—no strength and a cough," writes Mrs. C. Maynard, of East Lyme, New London Co., Conn. "As some of my family died with consumption I was frightened. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. After taking the second bottle I felt much better, and am now well."

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GIFT TO PASTOR

Rev. S. T. Ford Received a Check for $100

FROM BUSINESS MEN OF HIS PARISH.

Meeting of the First Baptist Society.

The First Baptist church society held its meeting last night.

Larkin T. Trull was chosen moderator, and Harry L. Tibbetts clerk for the ensuing year. The report of the treasurer, C. H. Clogston, showed total receipts during the year of $6052.41. All bills are paid and there is a balance on hand of $20.25. The "Penny-a-day" collections amounted to $613.

Officers were elected as follows: Treasurer and collector, Charles H. Clogston; assessors, Henry C. Fuller, Fred J. Flemings, Edward W. Trull, music committee, F. J. Flemings, G. H. Taylor, L. T. Trull; auditors, Warren L. Floyd and A. G. Walsh.

Appropriations were made as follows: Pastor's salary, $2500 and one month's vacation; for music, $1100; for heating, lighting and care of house, a sufficient sum.

The matter of changing or enlarging the house of worship was discussed and some plans were informally presented. It was voted to refer the matter to a special committee of seven as follows: Larkin T. Trull, H. C. Fuller, Rev. S. T. Ford, H. L. Tibbetts, F. A. Bowen, M. Bancroft, A. F. Swanton.

H. C. Fuller, chairman of the board of assessors, presented the pastor, Rev. S. T. Ford, with a purse of $100, in behalf of the business men of the parish.

Rev. Mr. Ford returned thanks for the gift.

Mr. Ford will attend the World's Sunday school convention that is held in London in July. He will sail some time in June and will be away five Sundays.

PERSONAL.

Miss Agnes Markham, sister of Councilman Markham, is confined to St. John's hospital by illness.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of matrons of the Old Ladies' Home will meet at the Home Thursday, April 7, at 3 p. m.

Mr. Charles E. Carter was elected a director of the New England Pharmaceutical company at its second annual meeting in Boston yesterday. The company, which manufactures pharmaceutical goods, has had a prosperous year.

Fred W. Sidekney will spend the next ten days in Washington.

Mrs. August Fels and Miss Anna Fels are in New York during the Easter holidays.

Miss Bryden of Wellesley College is spending her vacation with Mrs. S. F. Whipple, of Berkley avenue.

BANK DIVIDENDS.

Following are the dividends to be paid by the national banks in Lowell:

Bank	Cap'l	Rate.	Am't of Div'd.
Appleton	$300,000	2½	$ 7,500
First	270,000	4	10,800
Merchants	400,000	3	12,000
Old Lowell	200,000	2½	5,000
Prescott	200,000	3	6,000
Railroad	400,000	3	12,000
Wamesit	250,000	3	7,500
Traders	200,000	2½	5,000
Total	$2,300,000		$66,800

The seventh annual concert and ball of the Mathew Temperance Institute will be held at Associate Hall, Easter Monday, April 11, 1898. Tickets, $1.00.

John Reardon of Boston is visiting at the house of his brother in Clare street.

The job printing done at this office.

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS FOR PALE PEOPLE
Nerve tonic—Blood Maker. Send for descriptive pamphlet. Sold by druggists everywhere. 50 cents per box—six for $2.50.
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HOW OUR TRUANTS FARE

The New Building at the North Chelmsford Truant School.

Manual Training an Important Branch in This Model Institution—Supt. Warren Can Reform His Pupils and Send Them Home Happy.

"'Tis education forms the common mind;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined."

Among the rare legacy of beautiful and well-turned couplets bequeathed to posterity by that master of the artificial in poetry, Alexander Pope, no portion of that rich heritage has done more to keep alive the memory of his genius than that quoted above, which when sages yet unheard of shall have passed away, will still be the axiom of frequent quotation.

As the child is reared, so shall the man be, the effect ever reflecting the cause and hence the value of education of any nature.

If it is important to educate the ordinary or general run of children, blessed with the influences of good homes and of fortunate parentage, how much more important is it to educate the large and, in these, erratic times, the ever-increasing class of waifs who for whatever cause, find themselves, or are found by others, while yet in their tender years, in sad need of the restraining influences.

These influences are necessary and as one of them, the Middlesex Truant school, which but a few days ago, delighted the legislative committee on education by its facilities for successfully furthering its purpose, is an institution of which Middlesex County should be justly proud. It is the one great public county work that is worth all its expenditures and almost passing strange, its buildings, or one of them, at least, was erected within its appropriation.

But the truant school as a general institution is not the purport of this article, for that has been gone into in the local press before. I merely intend to record a belated visit to the picturesque institution upon North Chelmsford's sentinel hill with particular reference to the new "Cottage building," or addition to the institution but recently opened a out of which, from the drawing of Stickney & Austin, Lowell's celebrated architects appears elsewhere.

The Truant school was reached last evening just as a lingering winter night was about to shiver itself over the much-chilled landscape. The buildings and their surroundings, even in this season of the year, impress one with their attractiveness, promising a wealth of beauty when Spring shall have been permitted to brighten the fair country about.

The main building is situated on the summit of a hill and the industrial building is to the southeast, slightly in the rear.

The new building, which is called the Cottage building, is situated directly east of the main building at the base of the hill and only 40 feet from the Lowell line. It fronts toward Middlesex street and is approached by spacious, though as yet undeveloped walks. It is a brick structure of colonial style, three and one-half stories high in the center and with two large wings on the sides, these two and one-half stories in height. It cost $25,000 and appears to be worth the money expended upon it.

Passing through the spacious entrance, the visitor finds himself in a large old-fashioned hall with a wide staircase leading to the floor above. Upon the left of the entrance is a cosy reception room for the accommodation of visitors to the inmates, while on the right is a neat little library. Opening from the library is a large, sunny, finely ventilated and lighted school room, with accommodation for 40 pupils. It will be utilized as a class room for the primary grades.

In the center of the building, downstairs, running the width of the building is another and a larger hall, from which the school room opens on the right and the dining room is on the left. This dining room is undoubtedly a revelation to many a poor youngster who contemplates it for the first time, for it is attractive and a model of neatness. As I entered the room with Supt. Warren, whom I forgot to mention kindly volunteered his services as guide, two of the boys were placing the evening meal on the table, preparatory to that great disappearance act which even bad boys must perform three times a day.

No haughty millionaire, in all his travels, ever passed a tip to more careful or neater waiters than these two boys.

Entering through a door in the dining room, I found myself in an open pantry which connected with a "shining" kitchen.

Here I received a silent shock, for as I looked in I noticed a boy doing some laborious work with a can of most fragrant tea. Another boy went to his assistance whereupon the first youngster responded with, "Thank you, sir." Looking at this young Chesterfield, who did my eyes behold but the familiar face of a little rascal whom I last saw in police court, then a most disreputable specimen of juvenile humanity,—dirty, unkempt, indifferent, vulgar, and tougher than William B. D. What a metamorphosis! From apparently an incorrigible into a slick young gentleman, and while yet young enough to retain the transformation!

The floors on this floor and in fact throughout the building are of birch, while the finish is of North Carolina pine. In the left wing on the second floor is an airy dormitory, with 28 comfortable iron beds. This room is lighted by incandescent lights, as are the other rooms, the control of the light being in the matron's room, which opens into it. In the opposite wing is a large family sitting room where the boys in the evening, before retiring, may enjoy the same pleasures which are found in all well regulated families. Here they are in company with their teachers and are made to forget that they are the wards of the county by the kind and homelikee attention given them.

In the rear on the second floor, opening from the dormitory, is a large clothes room and closets. On the third floor is another dormitory of 28 beds, also in charge of a teacher.

Going into the basement, one finds a large boiler room, a well appointed wash room, each boy having his own towel, a mammoth bath room with those indispensable contrivances of the boys' baths, the shower, a spacious playroom and another clothes-room, wherein the boys, upon entering the house after their day's schooling, change their heavy shoes for house slippers.

The building seems thoroughly well appointed and just the proper kind of home for wayward boys. It has been occupied but a week and has about 50 inmates, the main building having a similar number. The boys assist in the care of the houses, the washing, laundry, cooking, etc., under competent and solicitous teachers, besides attending school, an important feature of which is the manual training school department.

This department occupies a large room on the second floor of the second or Industrial building, whither I went with the superintendent. Here are 15 thoroughly equipped work benches, where classes of 15 boys devote two hours a day to the great educational feature which is fast becoming justly popular. The teacher is Miss Vesey, a graduate of Larson's celebrated school. Along the walls are a number of surprisingly fine specimens of the work done, the useful vying with the ornamental in the artistiness of its execution. Speaking with me on the subject of manual training, Supt. Warren said: "The department of manual training is the great adjunct of an institution of this character. Nothing equals it in developing a dull boy. It trains his eye, hand, and mind, and moreover gives him that confidence in himself which forms the great incentive for mental improvement. The boy who dislikes his studies in the schoolroom, when placed in a manual training school invariably overcomes his dislike of text books in a very short time and exercises a thirst for knowledge, for when he finds that he can actually make something, he is inspired with confidence in himself, and henceforth begins to aim higher. Everything made by the boys is made from drawings and thus they are benefitted by a knowledge of free-hand drawing. Then it leads to seek a greater knowledge of mathematics for as their drawings compel them to make numerous measurements, they are constantly given practical illustrations of mathematical problems, partitularly in the fractional lines and they then become interested in that study. We intend soon to introduce wood-carving into this department and to teach that valuable trade.

STRIKERS' FUND.

Previously acknowledged	$1011.76
Forwarded to New Bedford	$1000.00
Balance	$11.76
F. M., Charles Street	50
Ways and Means Committee:	
W P.	.25
Centralville	.25
A Woman	.25
Joseph Ashton	.50
James Donnelly	1.00
Total	$17.51

BOWLING NEWS.

Teams Two and Three rolled a tie game at the Highland club alleys last night and another box for each was rolled resulting in the defeat of Team Three, 76 to 69. The score:

Team Two—Runels, 477; Galer, 493; Sturtevant, 410; Kilgore, 360; Cheney, 450; totals, 2229.

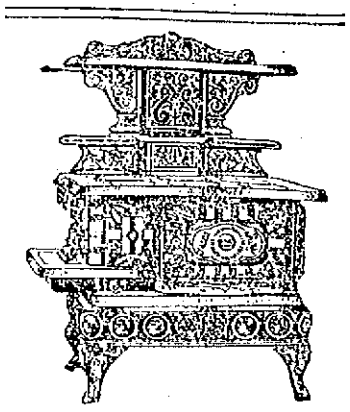
Team Three—Wellman, 472; Ward, 497; Tryder, 420; Hanson, 439; Perdin, 420; totals, 2229.

FINGERS MANGLED.

John Sweeney, residing on Robeson street, got one of his fingers caught in a napping machine at the Hamilton mills yesterday and amputation may be necessary.

CHURCH CONTRACT AWARDED.

At the adjourned meeting of the Pawtucket church parish last night the contract for the building of the new church was awarded to Thomas H Connell of this city for $20,744



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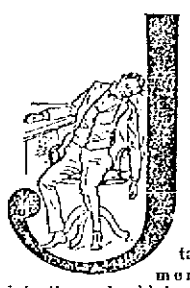
VERY SERIOUS.

It Is Unwise To Neglect Diarrhœa.

This Disease is Catarrh of the Bowels.

Pe-ru-na Cures Diarrhœa Because It Cures Catarrh.



JUST what is needed to cure diarrhœa is Pe-ru-na. When catarrh has reached the bowels it manifests itself as diarrhœa or dysentery. Catarrh having attacked the mucous membrane of the intestines should be given the most prompt attention. Pe-ru-na always cures catarrh. Pe-ru-na has cured thousands of cases of diarrhœa that is the result of catarrh. One of the many we have heard of comes from Charles Betts, of Burr Oak, who writes: "Had been troubled for a long time with chronic diarrhœa, which caused great sickness in the stomach, pains between the hip and the back and an ever-increasing weakness of the whole system. I took Pe-ru-na. In a week I felt relieved. Now I can do work that I never could do before. Pe-ru-na cured me so that I stayed cured."

Druggists everywhere sell Pe-ru-na.

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MANY ELECTIONS

Were Held in Western Towns Yesterday

DEMOCRATS AND SILVERITES SCORED BIG VICTORIES.

State Election Today in Rhode Island.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Kansas City, Mo., April 6—At St. Joseph the democrats elected Dr. J. P. Kirshner Mayor; six out of ten aldermen and all the other officials save auditor. At Springfield the Fusionists elected their full ticket save tax collector, which went to the republicans.

In Kansas City the indications are that James M. Jones, republican has been re-elected Mayor over Frank P. Sebree, democrat, by something over 1000 majority and that Jones will run 1000 behind the other candidate on the republican ticket. The council is wholly in doubt but both sides are claiming a majority of members.

IN NEW MEXICO.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Lesvegas, New Mexico, April 6.—The republican city ticket was yesterday defeated by the combined opposition.

DEMOCRATS WIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Memphis, Tenn., April 6.—Municipal elections were held in every city and town in Arkansas yesterday and only in three or four instances were the regular democratic nominees opposed. As far as heard from the regular democratic nominees carried the day.

DENNIS IN MILWAUKEE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 6.—Complete returns give Rose, democratic-populist, 28219; Conder, republican, 18,207.

SILVER WINS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Leadville, Col., April 5.—The city election here yesterday was carried by the Silver republicans. The republicans, populists and democrats had 69 candidates in the field.

AT FORT SCOTT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Fort Scott, April 6.—Iliawatha and Abilene were elected, republican officials. In Galena where the fusion is they were victorious.

REPUBS. GAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Topeka, Kan., April 6.—At Wachlinn the republicans elected their candidates save two; the democrats elected two aldermen. At Leavenworth the republicans elected four out of six councilmen. The womens' vote in Leavenworth was light.

TACOMA REPUBS

By Associated Press to The Sun.

St. Louis, April 6—Returns show democratic success in the following places: Milan, Salem, Marrsville, Gilden City, Sedalia and Corrilltown.

Tacoma, Wash., April 6.—The republicans elected all candidates on the general ticket by a majority and will control the council.

R. I. ELECTIONS

By Associated Press to The Sun

Providence, R. I., April 6.—The state election today is one of excitement from on end of the state to the other. In spite of the fact that the legislature to be chosen is to elect a United States senator to succeed Nelson W. Aldrich, the democratic state committee gave up the fight before it began and in quite a number of towns no democratic nominations for the assembly were made. The democrats nominated Daniel T. Church for governor and Governor Elisha Dyer is the republican candidate. The indications are that Dyer will be re-elected by about 10,000 plurality.

Of the 108 members of the legislature not more than twenty democrats will be elected. The people have been asked to grant a bond issue of $250,000 for the new state house but there is a strong opposition to it and it may be defeated. There has been no campaign and there is very little interest in the result.

MULE SPINNERS

HELD NATIONAL CONVENTION YESTERDAY.

The national convention of cotton mill Mule Spinners of America was held at Knight Templars hall at Boston, yesterday afternoon.

James Cook of New Bedford was appointed sergeant-at-arms, Messrs. Byron of Lewiston and Delehanty of Lowell a committee on credentials, and Robert Howard of Fall River and Samuel Ross of New Bedford a committee on the press.

The treasurer's report showed the organization to be in good financial condition.

The proposition to admit the ring-spinning boys and girls to the body, which was introduced yesterday will be taken up for final consideration today.

THREE ARE KILLED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Thomaston, Conn., April 6.—A N. Y., N. H., and H. railroad work train was derailed at noon near a bridge two miles to the north of this place. It was reported that three men were killed and three more fatally injured. This train, it was said, was backing to a siding to permit the passing of the regular, and went down the embankment.

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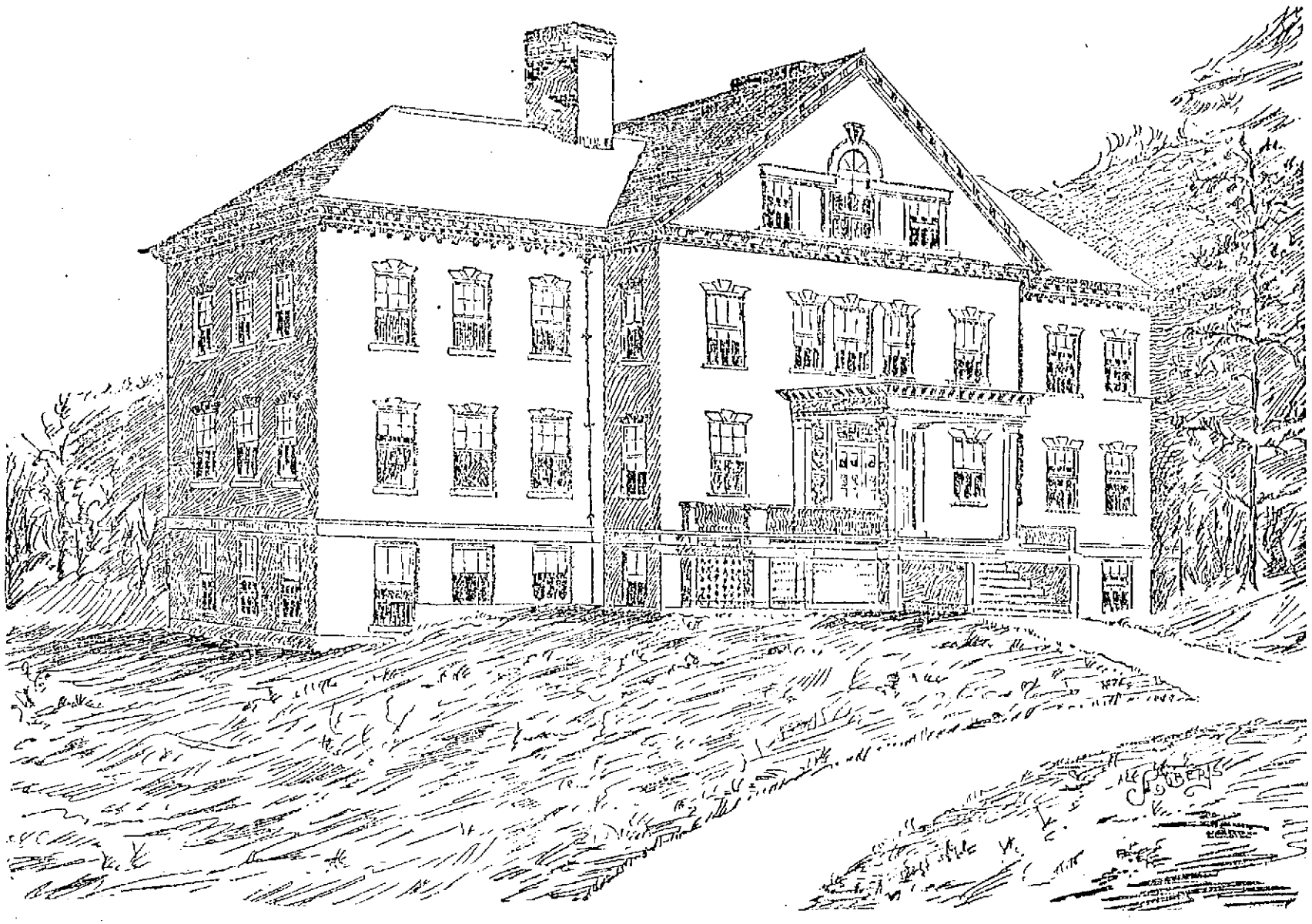

THE NEW MANUAL TRAINING BUILDING AT THE NORTH CHELMSFORD TRUANT SCHOOL.—(See Page .)

SPAIN IS NOW WORRYING

Over the Probability of an Immediate Declaration of War.

Naval Department Has Her Coal Supply in the West Correctly Sized up and Has Decided Its Plan of Action in Case War be Declared.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 6. 12.30. (Delayed in transmission)- The evening papers tonight for the first time, take the worst view of the situation. They devote practically their whole space to the crisis, with scare heads, long articles, pictures, etc., and discuss it from every point of view. The Heraldo Independent remarks that the idea of war with a rich and powerful nation has become the familiar talk of the street and fireside, adding that "Even mothers and wives are resigned to it, considering it necessary for the honor of the country."

Continuing, the Heraldo rejoices at the fact that public sentiment does not slack; "that rich and poor are uniting to contribute to the war funds" and expresses the belief that "public opinion abroad is growing in Spain's favor," agreeing with the view attributed here to Commissioner Klopsch of the United States Cuban relief commission, "that the success of the insurrection will mean negro anarchy in Cuba." The Heraldo then chronicles "the growing tide of provincial patriotism in behalf of the nation's defence."

WANTS PEACE.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Madrid, April 6.—The prevailing impression in political circles as this despatch is sent is that Spain will strive to the utmost to avoid war, but doubts as to her being able to do so, are expressed in all quarters.

SPAIN'S COAL SUPPLY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 6.—The naval intelligence bureau of the navy department has kept itself fully informed of the amount of coal owned by the Spaniards in the West Indian Islands. It is said that supply will last for a reasonable length of time. The bureau of equipment is also straining every nerve to get an adequate coal supply for our fleet at points on the gulf. The officials are also making every effort to obtain coaling stations in the West Indies.

Two desirable locations which, it is believed are under consideration are the Moele, at Nicholas Hayti, and the Island of St. Thomas which belongs to Denmark. If these two places could be acquired, then with supply stations at Key West and at Dry Tortugas, it is believed the facilities for obtaining coal would be reasonably adequate for all purposes in the event of a war.

LATEST FROM MADRID.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 6, via Bayonne, France,—The developments in the situation today are confined to the important part the Queen Regent is taking in the crisis. She has practically taken matters out of the hands of her ministers and is dealing direct with United States Minister Woodford, through the German and Austrian ambassadors and is working earnestly for peace.

It is known beyond doubt that Spain is now prepared to give all that America has asked, although the form of this concession must be gilded to suit Spanish palates and must take into consideration the political difficulties which confront Spain.

PEACE IMPOSSIBLE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 6,—A special despatch from Madrid this afternoon says the situation there this morning was one of expectancy. The government and the public were anxiously awaiting the President's message to congress. The despatch adds that the Spanish cabinet discussed the situation this morning at length and it is further ascertained that the prevalent opinion among the officials is that a peaceful solution of the crisis is impossibl .

WASHINGTON'S REPLY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 6, 10.15 a. m.—Washington's reply to the last suggestion of Minister Woodford by which it is understood an honorable peace satisfactory to both countries can be secured was received at Madrid during the night. Its contents have not been divulged.

NEW YORK WANTS SHIPS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Albany, N. Y., April 6.—This telegram was sent to Assistant Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt, today:

"Governor Black requests me to ask that you assign two of the new coast wise steamers to the naval militia of this state. They will promptly need them for the defence of New York harbor, Long Island Sound and any other point designated by your department."

(Signed) C. Whitney Tillinghast, Second Adjutant General.

CINCINNATI FREE.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Key West, April 6.—After two hours' work, the tugs Merritt and Leyden succeeded in pulling the Cincinnati off the mud bank. As the cruiser grounded at high water, it is believed that she has not sustained any damage, but a regular naval inquiry will be made.

The gunboat Helena arrived here this morning from Lisbon and anchored in the harbor.

NEWS AT ROME.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Rome, April 6.—It is semi-officially announced here that the Spanish government has accepted the principle of an armistice with the insurgents as is proposed by the Pope. Mr. McKinley's reply is now awaited. Upon it depends the possibility of continuing the negotiations at Madrid and Washington. It is believed the powers will now take joint action to prevent a rupture.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 6.—At the White House, the definite statement was authorized that the message would not go in today.

SPAIN HOPES SO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 6.—It is said here that a satisfactory settlement has been arrived at between the United States and Spain.

ARMISTICE TOMORROW.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Madrid, April 6, 12.30 p. m.—It is confidently asserted at this hour that a proclamation of the Queen Regent announcing an immediate armistice in Cuba will be issued tomorrow. It is added that some of the cabinet ministers may resign, but if necessary, the ministry will be changed.

Clothing, Not Wind.

Our announcements through the columns of this, as well as the other local papers are cautiously aimed to contain "merely facts" regarding the conduct of our business. Actuated by policy as well as principle, we consciously refrain from every form of exaggeration in our advertisements. In this respect our daily announcements will be found in agreeable contrast with our competitors. Our business is to sell Clothing, Hats and Men's Furnishings. Newspaper space is hired to inform the public of the coming and going of new lines of merchandise—an every day condition here. You don't care whether we carry a half a million dollar stock or whether we do a million dollar's worth of business every year, if we have exactly what you want and at a price to suit your pocketbook. Everything right and ready for the Easter rush.

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OLD POST OFFICE.

Avoid An Early Grave.

How often do we hear, that the avenue to an early grave was opened by neglecting a slight cough and cold. Profit by this truth, and provide yourself with Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, which instantly cures all throat and lung affections. Mr. W. H. Mahoney, Lowell, Mass., writes: "I was taken sick with a bad cold. The doctors did not seem to help me, and everybody said I was getting consumption, when a relative recommended Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. I got a bottle and it helped me, and after taking two bottles I was cured, to the surprise of everybody. I shall always recommend it to my friends, as I know it to be a sure cure." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is sold everywhere for 25 cents. Don't accept a substitute.

AMERICANS TO LEAVE CUBA

Secretary Day Says They Will Depart Today.

Consul General Lee Will Also Take His Departure — British Government in Full Sympathy With Our Cuban Policy—Assurance Given With Full Knowledge of the Present Situation.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 6.—Attorney General Griggs stated at half past eleven today that he understood that Consul General Lee would leave Havana today. Whether all the Americans would be gotten out of Cuba at the same time he was not sure, but Assistant Secretary Day is credited with stating that all of them would leave today.

BRITISH SYMPATHY

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 6.—On the highest authority, the Associated Press can announce that the British government has assured the United States that the latter has its fullest and most cordial sympathy in its Cuban policy. This assurance was given with the most complete knowledge of the latest developments in the negotiations between the United States and Spain, and on the understanding that events are tending steadily toward armed intervention in Cuba.

NAVAL PLAN OF ACTION.

By Associated Press to The Sun

Washington, April 6.—The plan of action for the naval forces in the event of hostilities is now practically completed after several weeks' constant work on the part of officers to whom was entrusted this important feature of the war preparations. While these plans are closely guarded, it may be stated that one feature of them contemplates a dash by the flying squadron under Commodore Schley to the Canary Islands.

As outlined by a high naval officer, the plan is that in the event of a declaration of war, the flying squadron as it is now composed, or possibly with the addition of a few more ships, will immediately start for the East with the Canary Islands as its destination.

Still the officers do not think that it would be a difficult task for so powerful a fleet to establish a station at that point and operating from it as a base to harass the coast of Spain. From that point the squadron would not only be able to intercept Spanish merchantmen but would be in a position, should circumstances demand, to attack a seaport. It was also pointed out by this officer that to seize and hold the Canary Islands would be a severe blow to Spain, inasmuch as the islands lie between the Cape Verde Islands and Spain and in direct line with the route to China. Should such a plan be put in operation the American fleet in Cuban waters would be composed of the present squadron at Tortugas and such additional vessels as could be spared from the protection of the coast further up.

THE AWARDS MADE

Edward Cawley Gets Contract for Sewer Pipe.

BIDS FOR FLAGGING AND EDGE STONE

50,000 Paving Blocks Also Wanted.

Mayor Bennett and Purchasing Agent Barnard were in conference in the Mayor's office this morning and opened bids for the furnishing of edgestones flagging and sewer pipes. The contracts were awarded to the lowest bidders. There were five bidders for the edgestones and flagging contract. Their figures were as follows:

Flagging—Henry W. Fletcher, 31 cents; Lewis D. Gumb, 35 cents; Walter H. Brown, 28½ cents; H. E. Fletcher & Co., 31½ cents; Frank A. Mallory, 31 cents.

Edgestones—L. D. Gumb, 28 cents; H. E. Fletcher, 31½ cents; Frank A. Mallory, 27 cents. The contracts were awarded to Frank A. Mallory. They call for 20,000 feet of granite edgestones and 2,000 feet of granite flagging.

Bids were also opened for sewer pipe and Edward Cawley got the contract. His bid was $1,032.85 for straight pipe, against $1,248.53 bid by Staples Bros.

The contract for flagging went to W. H. Brown; edgestones to Frank A. Mallory. Purchasing Agent Barnard has called for bids for 50,000 paving blocks.

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A Squad Fit for a Wild West Show.

The Boston Advertiser contains the following account of a drill rehearsal held Monday evening by the rough riders who will participate in the rough riding and military carnival of Battery A, M.V.M., at the Arena, Boston, April 13 and 14.

"Last evening the rough riding squad composed of 18 men, commanded by Lieut. Butler Ames went through the drill with a degree of excellence that was the result of two months of hard and conscientious work.

"The men ride first in the saddle, and divided into fours they trot and gallop around the ring, going through various cavalry manoeuvres. They are then divided into sets of twos and the outside platoon, passing over their bridles to the inside platoon ride at full length on the horses' backs, pick up tan bark from the ring at a sharp trot, and perform other difficult feats.

"Single sticks and masks are brought on and fierce bouts in swordmanship amuse the spectators for a while.

"The events of the evening, however, are the bareback acts.

"The men dismount and mount in a single movement vault their horses from the ground, while at a gallop, ride double, back to back, and standing in true Romanesque style, leap hurdles, vaulting and mounting while their horses are in the act of taking the jumps, play tag and wrestle.

"All these things have been thoroughly taught the men by Lieut. Ames, and their exhibition this year bids fair to equal all expectations.

"The men comprising the squad are: Lieut. Ames, G. E. Atherton, A. Blake, Robert Blake, H. Brooks, W. J. Batchelder, W. Amory, C. W. Dabney, C. Jackson, H. W. Palmer, W. S. Patten, H. Sherborn, Charles Sturgis, Lucien Thayer, Sidney Williams and Grafton Whiting."

OATHILL TALKED.

Lawrence, April 6.—The entire morning session of the legislature committee in this city was taken up with the testimony of T. P. Oathill who represented the weavers and several other branches of textile workers. He showed conclusively that there was no good reason for the cut-down, at least in Lawrence, and scored the Pacific mills continually.

STUCK IN MUD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Key West, April 6—The United States cruiser Cincinnati is aground in the middle of the harbor. She returned from patrol duty this morning and ran on a mud bank directly opposite the government wharf.

KEENE'S MANAGER.

F. G. CONNELLY IS MISSING FROM CHICAGO.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, April 6—F. G. Connelly, treasurer and business manager for Thomas W. Keene, the actor, is missing. Serious fears are entertained that he has been robbed and wounded or murdered. He had about $2,000 in his possession.

In Connelly's room at the Gault house his valise and trunk were found. In the trunk were several hundred dollars. The clerk said Connelly had not been there since Saturday afternoon. He is 15 years of age and has been with Mr. Keene four years. He was formerly a newspaperman in Philadelphia.

FUNERALS.

McINTIRE—The funeral of Josephine McIntire took place from her late home on Smith street, yesterday afternoon. Rev. J. M. Greene was the officiating clergyman and the bearers were Messrs. William Flanders, James Blake, Martin Lapoint, and Mr. McGregor. Burial was in North Chelmsford.

McHUGH—The funeral of Thomas McHugh occurred yesterday afternoon from 71 Fulton street. There was a large attendance and among the many floral tributes were the following:

Pillow, "Darling;" spray, Miss Corcoran; spray, Mrs. Bert Worthley; bouquet, Mr. and Mrs. McHugh large cross, from Miss Emma Riley.

Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

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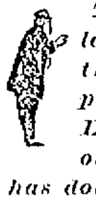

The Sun has a larger circulation than any two papers printed in Lowell, morning or evening. It has double the circulation of all the other evening papers in Lowell combined.
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For news, for illustrations, for enterprise, and for advertising it is

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

In the estimation of the people of this country, President McKinley has dwindled down to a mere exclamation point.

If a war should break out, the newspaper men, we presume, as usual, would demand a front place. Brother Hearst, of course, would be the standard bearer in war as in peace.

Mr. Bryan says that humanity demands the intervention of the United States in Cuban affairs. If Bryan were president his first message would have settled the whole trouble.

President McKinley seems inclined to believe that the insurgent government in Cuba is intangible and difficult to locate. The insurgent government is visionary, to be sure, but for that matter the government of the island by Spain is very little better. If the President fails to recognize the insurgent government, he cannot fail to condemn the Spanish regime as it has been exemplified in Cuba for the past three years.

The strikers at New Bedford after a long and trying struggle are reported to be about to close the contest and go back to work. The strike may end in defeat, to be sure, but it has taught the mill owners a lesson they will not soon forget. It has given a salutary lesson not only to the manufacturers of New Bedford, but to those of Lowell, Lawrence, and the other mill cities of New England. The strikers have suffered much in the cause of honest labor and to secure a fair day's pay, and although they go back to work under the cut-down, their struggle will eventually be crowned with success.

Somebody has said that the small dog is considerably troubled in keeping the moon and the earth in their respective positions, and in a similar manner it might be said that the Boston Herald has a great deal of trouble in keeping congress in check. The Herald is for peace at any price. It is even opposed to the building of war vessels. It would probably be in favor of hiring a European army to do our fighting, as it seems to believe that there is neither statesmanship nor valor on this side of the Atlantic. The best thing the Herald could do would be to move over to London where it could see its cherished ideals in operation on all sides.

A writer in a magazine says that inside of three hundred years, the only languages spoken upon the globe will be the English, Russian and Chinese. We take exception to the last named for the reason that the Chinese is not likely to spread beyond the limits of the celestial empire, and when that empire is dismembered, which according to the present outlook, it will be within a short period of years, then the Chinese language will give place to some other more perfect and expressive. Already the Chinese Empire has begun to decay, and in less than a single decade it will be divided between England, Russia, Japan and Germany. As for the predominance of the English and Russian languages, there seem to be good grounds for the supposition, but yet there are as good grounds for supposing that the German or the French language will live as long and be as widely spoken as will be the Russian. At present, the English language is the most universally spoken and is likely to be so for many centuries to come.

CHOICE OF ALTERNATIVES.

There are various courses open to the United States in opposing Spain. The first and most natural would be to demand indemnity for the destruction of the battleship Maine, and to make war with Spain if the indemnity be not paid. The second is to recognize the belligerency of the insurgents. This would put the latter on an equal footing with Spain so far as purchasing supplies and ammunition in this country is concerned, but would not necessarily involve war. The third would be to recognize the independence of Cuba. This would necessitate the appointment of a minister to the new republic and as such minister would require protection from Spanish hostility, the United States would be obliged to go to war with Spain.

What is now proposed is armed intervention to stop hostilities in Cuba. Such intervention will require the presence of an American army to prevent further warfare between the armies of Spain and Cuba. It will not be sufficient to prevent the Spaniards from hostile movements; the United States must also prevent the insurgents from capturing cities now in possession of Spain. How long could this intervention be maintained? Indefinitely? Not likely. When United States intervention should cease then Spain and Cuba would resume hostilities with as much venom as before the intervention. If the United States without recognizing the independence of Cuba, sends an army to stop hostilities in Cuba, it will be attacked by the insurgents on one side and by the Spaniards on the other. This will put the United States under the necessity of fighting Spain and Cuba at the same time. Hence, it is best either to recognize Cuban independence and strike a blow to Spanish rule on the island or let matters in Cuba rest as at present and bring Spain to account for destroying the Maine. To grant the Cubans belligerent rights would solve the whole difficulty as it would enable the insurgents to drive the Spaniards out of the island.

WHAT BOSTON EDITORS SAY.

Boston, April 7.—The Boston Post holds: "For the United States to take any step whatever to deprive the Cuban revolutionists of the fruits of their long and persistent struggles for liberty, for which so much Cuban blood has been shed and so many thousand Cuban lives sacrificed, would be a proceeding disgraceful beyond all conception. We do not believe it would be tolerated by the American people. For our part, we think it is the business of this country to promote the cause of human freedom; but to place any impediment in its way would be to be false to all our traditions. To intimate that President McKinley has any such idea is a gratuitous insult to him."

"Intervention, active, emphatic," The Journal insists, "is the policy to which the president's mind is made up. If Spain yields, it must be between today and Monday, for to all intents and purposes President McKinley has already delivered his ultimatum."

The Advertiser treats of Spain's case as argued by the minister in Washington as follows: "The American people agree with the Spanish minister that to appeal to war unnecessarily 'would be too wanton, too criminal, too offensive to all the dictates of civilization and christianity;' but if war comes it will only be because Spain shall have ignored 'all the dictates of civilization and christianity.' Not one step has the United States taken that has not been made absolutely necessary by the brutal indifference of the Spanish government in Cuba to all the appeals of civilization and christianity."

The Globe says: "'Stand by the president' may be good advice, but some people are having hard work to find out just where the president stands, preparatory to taking up their position by him."

MEN'S LEAGUE OFFICERS.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Men's league of the Paige Street Free Baptist church, held last evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing six months: Vice president, O. P. Knowlton; secretary, Elmer Brennan; treasurer, W. A. Brown. The election of president was deferred until the next regular meeting.

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EASTER NECKWEAR.

What adds more to the appearance of a man than neat and stylish Neckwear? Our Easter display certainly outstrips and outclasses even our best efforts for Christmas. This is saying much, but we weigh most carefully every word. You will heartily agree with whatever praise is bestowed on this showing the moment your eyes rest upon it. We have all that is new and modish this season at prices that will urge you to make your selection from our stock.

HATS.

Ladies run to bonnets at Easter too lovely to look at and to balance their attractions we offer the most elegant in spring Headgear in all the latest shapes, colors, shades and styles. Our fine Pearl Fedora at 95c is a cracker jack. It is sold by other folks as great value for $1.50. We have an elegant Black, Brown and Pearl Fedora for 50c. They're swell looking hats. $1 would be considered cheap for them, but we want to keep at the head of the procession; that's why we are hustling, always hustling.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Fraternal Orders Discussed at Length.

BILL TO PROHIBIT DEDUCTION FROM WAGES.

A Race of Two Vessels to China.

Boston, April 7.—The act relating to fraternal beneficiary associations provoked a good deal of discussion in the house yesterday, but was finally passed with but minor amendments, while the adverse report on the petition to compel fire insurance companies to pay full damage if covered by the policy, remains as unfinished business for today.

The committee on roads and bridges has reported an appropriation of $600,000 for state highways, $400,000 to be spent in 1898; but the whole amount may be contracted for.

A bill was reported by the labor committee to prohibit deductions in the wages of women and minors who are paid by the day or hour, employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, for time during which machinery stopped, provided that the women and minors are confined in the establishments. The penalty is from $20 to $50.

A RACE TO CHINA.

New York, April 7.—A deal was made a few days ago at this port by the captains of two sailing vessels as to which would reach Shanghai, China, first, the stake being $500. The British ship, Atlanta, cleared the bar at 12 o'clock noon yesterday and the other, the British bark, Berswing, cleared 10 minutes later. The voyage under ordinary circumstances takes about three months.

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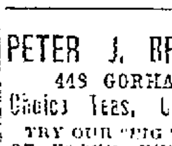

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PROBATE COURT.

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Great Disappointment in Congress and Elsewhere at the Postponement of President's Message—The Cuban Junta Declares That Intervention Shall be Met by Resistance From the Insurgents—The Delay Exasperating to the Radicals in Congress—Newspaper Men Threatened With Assassination in Havana.

Madrid, April 7.—The hope of reaching a peaceful settlement with the United States is growing stronger. It is reported that the bases of an armistice in Cuba have been arranged. If this be true a royal decree will appear in The Gazette today or Friday announcing the conclusion of an armistice.

There is said to be no doubt that Spain is prepared to give all America has asked, although the form of this concession must be gilded to suit Spanish palates and must take into consideration the political difficulties which confront Spain.

NO MESSAGE.

Surprise and Disappointment That the President Did Not Speak.

Washington, April 7.—Swift as a cannon's flash was the change in the Cuban situation yesterday. The galleries of congress were crowded, senators and representatives were anxious and agitated, and even the diplomatic corps was in a ferment, awaiting a message from the president to the congress of the American people that might mean war, when, with excitement at the very highest, the word quickly passed that there would be no message at present. Its suddenness stunned the public, which heard the news in distorted forms, and amazed veteran members of co gress.

Ultimately it became known that not only would there be no mes. ge Wednesday, but no message this week, and that it was at least a possibility the message written and approved might never go to congress at all. The first reason for the delay was that the administration received advices from General Lee at Havana, indicating that all Americans could not in gotten off the island yesterday and would be in grave peril if the message preceded their departure. The second reason, and perhaps equally potent with the other, slowly drifted into public comprehension late in the day, chiefly through the medium of dispatches from Madrid, for extreme reticent was maintained on the subject by the few in Washington who knew the facts. This important news was that the Spanish government, after what plainly had been the most exciting times in inner Spanish circles at Madrid, had decided to reopen the case, which had been closed so far as this government was concerned by the refusal of Spain to make satisfactory response to the representations made by the United States last week, and, in order to avert impending war, had decided to make concessions heretofore refused.

What will be the final outcome, it is too early to say, but the aspect of affairs certainly is considerably more pacific and sufficient to renew the hope of the president in a solution of the Cuban question satisfactory to the American people and achieved without bloodshed. The details remain to be worked out, but it is expected that between now and Monday a clearer light will be thrown on the future by the action at Madrid, of which one important feature at least is the declaration of an armistice by the queen regent of Spain. This armistice, it is expected, will lead to the ultimate independence of Cuba from Spanish rule, but by what intermediate steps perhaps even the governing powers do not at this time know. Much, it is supposed, will depend upon the Cuban insurgents and the peoples of the United States and Spain.

The powers of Europe, material and moral, it is known brought to bear all their influence on the government of Spain, and still are actively at work seeking by the wisest and most politic course necessary, in view of the circumstances and sentiments of the two great nations involved, to bring peace out of the gathering clouds. All the capitals of Europe have been in communication to this end, a fact evidenced by the assemblage at the British embassy of the representatives of the six great powers of Europe, who then and there were made mutually acquainted with what had been done abroad and with the desire of those who accredited them to Washington that they should work in accordance here. this concert, however, in the United States, not to go beyond a mild tender of good offices to secure peace and delay a definite decoration of war, if hostilities finally became inevitable. Some of the representatives assembled at Sir Julian Pauncefote's may have wished to offer mediation, but if so they were warned against it by others in the conference who understood more clearly that such a procedure would be resented and work to hostile and not to peaceful ends.

The improved condition of affairs was reflected throughout all public quarters. The Spanish minister said that while he could not disclose any of the information reaching him in an official character, yet he felt that the strain of a few hours ago was materially relieved and that the prospects for peace looked much brighter. He in no way confirmed, nor would he even discuss, views entertained in other quarters that Spain was slowly but surely yielding, and confined his utterances to the general statement that conditions were improving.

While the message was awaited there came a hurried summons of leaders of the senate and house to the White House, and they were there informed that the message was to be withheld upon the information received from Consul General Lee. The reasons he gave were deemed entirely satisfactory by all, and Senator Davis informed the senate, while the house leaders carried the news to that body. That the danger to American life was considered sufficient reason for non-action appeared in the postponement of all meetings to consider the situation. The proposed armistice by Spain injected another feature into the discussion of the situation, and while some were very hopeful that a satisfactory solution of the problem might eventuate from it, the general feeling was that the conditions in Cuba, the determination of the insurgents to continue fighting until independence was recognized, and the sentiment of this country in favor of Cuba's independence of Spain possibly made overtures on this line too late.

A generally quieter feeling was evident at the war and navy departments, where, in contrast to the feverish excitement of the past week, the tone was almost apathetic. While there was the usual amount of routine attendant upon the recent work of preparation, things settled down almost to the normal. No more contracts for new vessels were closed, and no changes in the stations of ships announced. The day was also noticeable for the absence of the conferences of high officials, and the great tide of visitors, congressmen, public men and contractors almost entirely disappeared.

Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn of the war department made public a statement showing that up to this time there had been allotted to the department $9,279,197 from the emergency fund of $50,000,000 appropriated by congress, of which $927,805 have been expended; but as much of the work begun and the munitions of war bought is by the contract system, the government is liable for considerable of the remainder.

The state department officials are anticipating with much interest and considerable apprehension the possibilities of the coming Easter holidays in Spain and Cuba. It is at such times that the people, especially when national questions are uppermost in the public mind, are apt to give way to their feelings and indulge in riotous demonstrations. These holidays begin today, which is holy Thursday, and continue for several days. Most of the business houses and all the places of amusement are closed until Sunday, and consequently many idle people assemble. On Sunday many of the shops are opened for half a day, being closed at noon to permit the employes to indulge in various pastimes and sports, and to attend the bull fights which are so popular in both Spain and Cuba. In view of the very strained relations existing at this time between Spain and the United States, the assemblage of large crowds in public places may, it is feared, lead to uprisings and to demonstrations against American citizens who may reside in Spain or Cuba.

The delay in the settlement of the Cuban question was treated in the senate with varying degrees of favor or disfavor, depending largely upon the predilections and personal political associations of senators. All united in admitting the necessity of protecting General Lee and the other American citizens in Cuba. Many, however, were inclined to criticise because our citizens had not been removed heretofore, while others declared protection for them should have been sent to Havana. "It is a humiliating spectacle," said Senator Quay of Pennsylvania, "that with our fleet within 50 miles of Havana we are unable to protect our people in that port."

MATTHEW S. QUAY.

The intense Cuban sympathizers were free in the opinion that there was some motive in the delay that did not appear on the surface. They did not question the good faith of the representations as to the danger of Americans in Cuba, but they argued that there must have been other causes for the administration's course. When the Madrid bulletin stating the probability of an armistice in Cuba was made known, they found in it a verification of their surmises. At one time during the afternoon the indication was strong that dissatisfaction would find voice in the open session of the senate, but those who felt disposed to discuss the question were restrained largely from a feeling of delicacy because not fully certain of their ground. The conservative element did not find encouragement in the situation. They were not displeased over the prospect of delay, but they expressed regret at the occasion for it. "The publication of the fact of danger to Americans in Cuba," said one of them, "will set the country aflame and the war spirit will be more rampant than ever." Senator Elkins was among the conservatives who expressed apprehension as to the effect of the reports from General Lee, but he found great encouragement in the outlook for a peaceful settlement of the difficulty.

The personal followers of the president declined to see any other reason for his action than that of conserving the safety of Americans in Cuba, and said that for him to have taken any other course under the circumstances would have been inconsiderate and inhuman. Altogether the day's proceedings had the effect of leaving the senate in an unsettled condition, but it also relieved the tension to a perceptible degree.

WOULD FIGHT UNCLE SAM.

New York, April 7.—After quoting from the address to the people of the United States issued by Mr. Palma on March 17, Mr. Rubens of the Cuban Junta says: "In the face of the present proposal of intervention without previous recognition, it is necessary for us to say that we must and will regard such intervention as nothing less than a declaration of war by the United States against the Cuban revolutionists. If intervention shall take place on that basis, and the United States shall land an armed force on Cuban soil, we shall treat that force as an enemy to be opposed, and, if possible, expel, so long as the recognition of a free Cuban republic is withheld.

"I do not mean to say that the Cuban army will assemble on the coast to resist the landing of federal troops, but that it will remain in the interior, refusing to co-operate, declining to acknowledge any American authority, ignoring and rejecting the intervention to every possible extent. Should the United States troops succeed in expelling the Spanish; should the United States then declare a protectorate over the island—however provisional or tentative—and seek to extend its authority over the government of Cuba and the army of liberation, we would resist with force of arms as bitterly and tenaciously as we have fought the armies of Spain.

"The Cubans are already fairly informed of this entente between the Spanish and American governments, veiled as it is by every semblance of an open rupture; and I speak with full authority in saying that the Cubans in the field can be relied upon to resist all overtures for peace unaccompanied by complete independence. The Cubans will not trust the United States first to obtain possession and then grant independence. The very fact that recognition is expressly withheld now implies the possibility that it may be permanently withheld. In fact we more than half know what to expect in the event of the United States becoming master of the island."

VIEWS OF AN AUTHORITY.

New York, April 7.—Frederick R. Coudert, an authority on international law, referring to the statement in the British house of commons by Sir Richard Webster, to the effect that neither the United States nor Spain, in the event of war between the two nations, would be affected by the declaration of Paris, and that the right of search by them for contraband of war undoubtedly exists, said: "It is plain, as stated by Sir Richard Webster, that the rights of Spain and the United States respectively as belligerents would not be affected by the declaration of Paris. They were neither of them parties to the congress and cannot be bound by its results.

FREDERIC R. COUDERT.

"I cannot agree, however, to the proposition that the United States has lost any rights by expressing opinions in the past upon the subjects now coming up in practical shape. The rights of the United States must be regulated by the measure of her obligations. Her obligations and duties are not to be increased in the one case or diminished in the other by expressions of opinion on the part of those who might happen to be temporarily at the head of the government. Especially is this so if those expressions were not acquiesced in by Spain. It is certainly an untenable proposition to hold that the United States have stopped themselves from the exercise of a right which Spain continues to possess because the former has expressed opinions against and the latter in favor of such supposed right.

"As to the right of search itself, it does not seem to be different in extent from what it has heretofore been. As the neutral is bound to abstain from giving aid to either side, his ships are prohibited from carrying contraband of war, and in order to ascertain that fact either belligerent is at liberty to search the vessel that carries a neutral flag."

TARGETS FOR THREATS.

New York, April 7.—A staff correspondent of the Associated Press, writing a personal communication from Havana on Saturday last, says: "The latter part of the week has not been particularly pleasant for the eight American correspondents left here. We have been targets for threats of assassination and recipients of innumerable warnings. We heed the warnings and disregard

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DAMAGES WANTED

By Many Who Have Claims Against the City.

PATRICK HAND SAYS HIS ATTORNEY LEFT HIM.

Because He Refused to Vote For Him.

The principal claim heard by the committee on claims last night was that of Henry L. Adams of Westford, to whom a hearing was given at the last meeting of the committee, on his petition for compensation for personal injuries and damage to wagon sustained by collision with a stepping stone in Chelmsford street in front of the Davis property, was reopened and Nathaniel Davis was called to explain the position of the stepping stone in question.

The accident happened October 22 last year.

Mr. Davis told of Mr. Adams coming to him on crutches and telling him of the accident. He spoke at the time of his face having been hurt, but it didn't show marks.

Damages of $1000 is claimed in this case.

Patrick Hand, an old- white-haired gentleman, formerly in the employ of the city since 1848 as a laborer, claimed damage for personal injuries sustained in 1891 while collecting sweepings in Lilley avenue.

He was 21 weeks in bed as a consequence of his broken leg. He said he didn't bring his claim up before because his attorney, who is a politician, had refused to put it in when he voted against him in a caucus.

Mary A. White asks for compensation for injuries received by a fall in Hudson street, the sidewalk at the place being in poor condition.

Miles Veavers, John Gammon and Henry H. Roberts said the sidewalk was in bad condition.

Frank E. McNabb, by his attorney, C. H. Cosgrove, claimed $75 damages for injury to shoie front caused last December by the running of a city team into and smashing the window.

A. L. Russell and E. P. Sanborn asked for the payment of a bill of $35 for damage caused by water backing up into the sewer drains and causing them to burst in the cellars of the claimants situated in Howard street.

City Engineer Bowers said they entered the sewer in 1889 and he didn't see how the manhole 11 feet below could affect them.

The committee on sewers held a meeting late yesterday afternoon to consider a request that the direction of the sewer begun in Wentworth avenue be changed so as to accomodate a part of Parkview avenue. After discussing of the matter it was decided to keep to the original lines through Wentworth avenue.

A MUSICALE.

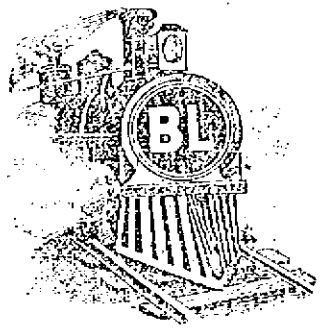
A musical entertainment last night at No. 5 City Hall avenue, was given under the direction of Mr. George E. Bunce. The first of the evening was passed in playing whist, at which Miss Susie Webber won first prize. Piano solos were then played by Mrs. Kirschner, after which Mr. Henry Gordon sang "The Organ Grinder's Serenade," and "Rose, Sweet Rose." Mr. Bunce gave several choice selections on the Regina.

WORD FROM McKINLEY.

Rev. C. L. Merriam has received a letter from President McKinley in answer to the telegram sent by the members of his church last Sunday. He has also received one from Congressman Knox, but he will not disclose their contents until Sunday, when he intends to read them to the congregation at the morning service. It will be sure salvation to everyone present.

RIFLE CLUB'S OFFICERS.

The Middlesex Rifle club held its annual meeting at Zimmer's store last night and elected the following officers: President, W. H. Wheeler; secretary, Frank Coburn; treasurer, W. J. Burbeck; directors, W. H. Kimball, E. L. Hartford, F. R. Woodward, J. W. Ferrie.



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PRESIDENT'S COURSE KNOWN

Delays Message to Protect the Americans Now in Havana.

McKinley After Calling all Party Leaders to His Side, Announces That the Message Will Not Go in Until Monday, When Havana Will be Without American Residents—It Means Intervention and Fight.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Washington, April 6.—Never in recent years, if ever at any time has there been such a demand for admission to the halls of Congress as was made today. People who appreciated what the condition of affairs would be, were at the doors of the big building before 9 o'clock and they were there in such numbers at this time that when the doors were opened not one half of them could find seats.

On the floor the greatest excitement and activity prevailed. The leaders rushed hither and thither, rallying their forces. Rumors flew about. Here indignation was shot against the report that the President would ask for discretion as to when intervention should take place; there a staunch supporter of the President was counselling calmness; here a group were discussing the probability of an alliance between the democrats and the dissatisfied republicans; there an appeal to a group of republicans was being made to stand solidly by the President and party organization. The battle was already on. In a corner of the capitol the House committee on foreign affairs was meeting in the old library hall, the "reconcentrados," as the republicans who have urged for action, have been called, were discussing the latest phase of the situation with stormy words.

The Speaker's desk, festooned with a silk flag of the American republic, was to the eye the ocular symbol of the patriotism which throbbed in the breast. And opposite the Speaker's chair, the great clock with its guarding warriors ticked away the minutes as the vast assemblage waited the message which carried the fortunes of the American people. As the hands of the clock pointed to 12, Speaker Reed pushed his way through the green baize doors leading from the lobby of the house and ascended the rostrum. With two whacks of the gavel the great multitude was hushed. The members and many of the spectators in the gallery arose and stood with bowed heads as the blind chaplain delivered a solemn invocation for the divine aid in this day's deliberations.

There was a general understanding on the floor soon after the House assembled that the message would not be sent to Congress probably until 3 o'clock and members settled in their seats to await with what patience they could for it to appear. As the families of many of the members could not obtain admission to the galleries, Mr. Dalley asked if the speaker could entertain a request that the members be permitted to bring their families upon the floor. The speaker answered in the negative. The rules strictly prohibited him from entertaining such a request.

It having been arranged last Friday that the army re-organization bill should be a special, the speaker recognized Mr. Hull as chairman of the military affairs committee to call it up. A wrangle followed as to whether the bill should be considered in the committee of the whole or in the House and to it is to come in today, we will have to wait to decide upon our course.

No proposition was presented to the conference but the tone of other speeches was in favor of vigorous action, if the present message did not meet expectation.

Messrs. Marsh of Illinois, Tawney of Minnesota, and Babcock of Wisconsin also spoke.

Mr. Tawney of Minnesota favored a republican caucus instead of a conference. In making a motion to that effect he gave as his reason that in case of any considerable number of the members not agreeing with the President in his policy outlined in his message, action should be taken by the republican organization of the House. His plan was to have a special committee appointed with power to call a caucus if in its judgment such a course was considered advisable when the President's message should have been received.

Mr. Mercer of Nebraska supported a substitute for a conference instead of a caucus to which all republicans should be invited.

This plan was agreed to. The hour for holding the conference caused a slight division but 8 o'clock in the hall of Congress was decided upon.

THE SENATE.

A memorable scene was presented at the opening of the Senate today. An audience that tested the gallery accommodations had filled them hours before the Senate convened.

In the private gallery sat Mrs. John A. Logan. Accompanying her was Miss Cisneros, her ward, who was rescued from a Spanish prison.

In the diplomatic gallery was Sir Julian Pauncefote, the ambassador of Great Britain.

Senator Proctor of Vermont was the first senator to make his appearance on the floor. The people in the galleries recognized him and a slight ripple of applause ran through the great crowd.

Mr. Allison asked unanimous consent that the Senate resume consideration of the Sundry Civil bill.

It was finally agreed that the bill should be considered in the House, but all efforts to arrange a limit upon the debate failed, owing to the objection of Mr. Marsh (Rep. Ill.) who is one of the most bellicose members upon the floor.

Mr. Hull, in a calm, dispassionate speech displayed the features and purposes of the bill and the advantages of the proposed three battalion formation which have been fully covered in Associated Press despatches.

The President sent for Senators Lodge, Frye, and Davis, and also for Representatives Cannon, Dingley and Adams. After they came out from the White House they refused to say a word regarding their conference, but on the arrival of Senator Davis at the capitol, he saw his colleagues on the foreign relations committee and informed them that no message would be sent in today. Senator Davis immediately moved and obtained an executive session.

At 1.46 p. m., the Senate resumed its open session.

SENATOR DAVIS EXPLAINS.

After the galleries had been cleared Senator Davis explained the reason for the delay in sending the message. He said it was due to the fact that there had been some delay in getting Consul General Lee and other Americans out of Havana and that more time was absolutely necessary for this purpose. Hence the President did not think it wise or humane to send in the message which might precipitate serious trouble and endanger the lives of some of these people.

Mr. Davis stated that the President had sent for him for the especial purpose of asking this delay and had shown him as a reason for the request a telegram from Consul General Lee, saying that if the message should be sent in before Monday, he would not be responsible for the lives of Americans in Cuba. No comment whatever was made on the senator's communication and after it was made the Senate returned to its legislative work.

NOT UNTIL MONDAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 6.—It can be authoritatively stated that after conferences with members of the foreign affairs committees of both houses, the President has decided not to send in his message until Monday next.

NO INTERVENTION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

New York, April 6—The Cuban Junta through its counsel, Horatio H. Rubens, made a most important statement today. It declared in the most unequivocal language that the Cuban army would reject absolutely intervention by the United States unless it should be preceded by a recognition of the independence of the Cuban republic; that if the United States persisted in intervening without recognizing Cuban independence, the Cuban government and military forces would refuse to co-operate; and that if United States troops should be sent to Cuba on the basis of intervention without recognition, the Cuban army would, in the last resort, turn its arms against the United States.

Mr. Rubens prefaces his statement by the following: "The declaration I am about to make is official, for I am the legal representative of the Junta and I know their unalterable convictions and position. It is in line with the utterance of the delegate of the Cuban provisional government to the United States Thomas Estrada Palma, when the suggestion was made that this government should counsel the Cubans, and if necessary coerce them to an acceptance of autonomy."

After quoting from the address to the people of the United States issued by Mr. Palma on March 17, Mr. Rubens says: "In the fact of the present proposal of intervention without previous recognition, it is necessary for us to to a step further and say that we must and will regard such intervention as nothing less than a declaration of war by the United States against the Cuban revolutionists. If intervention shall take place on that basis, and the United States shall land an armed force on Cuban soil, we shall treat that force as an enemy to be opposed and if possible, expelled, so long as the recognition of a free Cuban republic is withheld. I do not mean to say that the Cuban army will assemble on the coast to resist the landing of federal troops, but that it will remain in the interior refusing to co-operate, declining to acknowledge any American authority, ignoring and rejecting the intervention to every possible extent. Should the United States troops succeed in expelling the Spanish; should the United States then declare a protectorate over the island, however provisional or tentative, and seek to extend its authority over the government of Cuba and the army of liberation, we would resist with force of arms as bitterly and tenaciously as we have fought the armies of Spain."

LEE IS IN DANGER

Excuse for Delay of President's Message.

CAN'T GET BOATS IN SUFFICIENT NUMBERS

To Take Americans Away at Once.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Washington, April 6.—Another report is that Consul General Lee has notified the state department to delay action in order that he may get the Americans out of Cuba in safety. It is said that he has had great difficulty in securing sufficient boats to carry all Americans desiring to leave and that he cannot get himself and other Americans out of Cuba in the time specified, which was 1 o'clock today. The President, it is known, has been generally concerned about Lee's safety and that of other Americans and it is stated that the message will not go in before 5 or 6 o'clock and may be held up till tomorrow. Many alarming rumors were afloat this afternoon regarding the safety of Consul General Lee and the other consular officials stationed in Cuba, some even going to the extent of declaring that some of them had been attacked by mobs. The officials of the state department attach no importance to these rumors. Assistant Secretary Day said in reply to an inquiry that he would leave Havana during the afternoon and that every precaution had been taken for the safety of all the other consular officers and citizens throughout Cuba.

The President hurriedly summoned the leaders of all parties to the White House to explain the latest phase of the situation. Representatives Sayers (Dem.) Texas, Newlands (Silver, Col.), and Hopkins (Rep., Ill.) all strongly for vigorous Cuban action, were the latest callers at the White House.

AMERICANS ARE LEAVING.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Washington, April 6.—The Navy department has been informed of the departure of the Bache and Mangrove from Havana with a large number of Americans on board. It is stated, however, that General Lee has not sailed. Secretary Long said that it had been decided to defer the sending of the message to congress, but when asked if this decision had been influenced by the condition of affairs in Havana, he declined to answer.

AT CHATTANOOGA.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Chattanooga, Tenn., April 6.—Preparations are rapidly going on here for the reception of government troops at Chickamauga Park. A number of wells are being sunk and if necessary a pipe line to Crawfish Spring can in 6 hours supply millions of gallons of water to any point in the park. The statement sent out from Atlanta that there is an inadequate supply of water is without foundation.

All the available regiments of infantry in the army are expected to be in camp here by the early part of the week.

To Cure Constipation Forever.
Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

MORE WARSHIPS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 6.—The Pall Mall Gazette this afternoon says it understands that the authorities at Washington have cabled urgent orders to their representatives on this side of the Atlantic to purchase additional men-of-war in Europe.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

AN ARMISTICE GRANTED.

(Continued.)

the threats with such composure as is given to each of us. As there is a good deal of 'walking in the dark' about the whole thing, we will all be glad when it comes to a definite issue one way or the other."

"QUIET AND ORDERLY."

Havana, April 7.—After many days of foolish confidence that something would happen, a number of people here, Americans and others, have been plunged into foolish fear and turmoil. People who should know better insist that war has been declared; others are sure that the pope has secured peace with honor. Bankers with close American connections are packing their papers, collecting debts, arranging for guards for their vaults and sending their families away. Cuban women, with husbands, fathers or brothers in the insurgent ranks, are in a state of terror. The few simon pure Americans who remain keep as cool as may be.

It is to the credit of the government here that although it was well known that yesterday was crucial with war probable and Spanish defeat certain, Havana up to 11 yesterday morning was generally quiet and orderly. The removal of the embargo consequent upon the quarantine laws gives relief to thousands, but the new trouble arises of lack of transportation. No doubt many will leave as the result of a needless scare, since probably they would be as safe here as anywhere, a possible bombardment being left out of the account. Some Spaniards still talk wildly about the United States fleet being blown out of the water by fire from the Havana batteries on the water front, but as careful practice two days ago showed the inability of the gunners to come within 100 yards of a target on smooth water at a range of two miles or thereabouts, naval men need not be apprehensive of the effect of the Havana guns.

A DASH TO THE CANARIES.

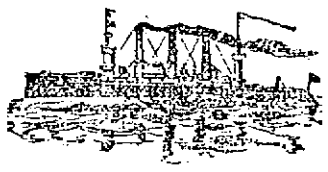
Washington, April 7.—The plan for the naval forces in event of hostilities is now practically completed after several weeks of constant work on the part of the officers to whom was entrusted this important feature of the war preparations. While these plans are closely guarded, it may be stated that one feature of them contemplates a dash by the flying squadron under Commodore Schley to the Canary Islands.

As outlined by a high naval official, the plan is that in the event of a declaration of war, the flying squadron as it is now composed, or possibly with the addition of a few more ships, will immediately start for the east with the Canaries as its destination. Naval officials do not think it would be a difficult task for so powerful a fleet to establish a station at that point, and operating from it as a base harrass the coast of Spain.

From that point the squadron would not only be placed advantageously to intercept Spanish merchantmen, but would be in a position, should circumstances demand, to attack a seaport. It was also pointed out by this officer that to seize and hold the Canary islands would be a severe blow to Spain, inasmuch as the islands lie between the Cape Verde islands and Spain, and in direct line with the route to China. Should such a plan be put in operation the American fleet in Cuban waters would be composed of the squadron at the Tortugas and such additional vessels as could be spared from the protection of the coast further up.

BROOKLYN'S GUNS TESTED.

Fort Monroe, April 7.—The Brooklyn, flagship of the flying squadron, tried her 8-inch guns yesterday, in order to test the new elevating apparatus designed to give them greater range. The test was not made solely to demonstrate the ability of the apparatus, but to see if the turrets after being so materially changed would stand the shock to which they were subjected.



THE BROOKLYN.

In 35 minutes every railing, rope, capstan, anchor, small boat and loose hamper had been removed. The first shot was sent with a service charge of 85 pounds of powder, the gun being elevated at five degrees. The two 200-pound shell left the muzzle of the gun at a velocity of 2000 feet a second. It struck the water two and three-quarters miles from the ship, sending up a vast column of water. The second shot was with a full powder charge, 110 pounds, and sent the projectile nearly four miles, putting it in the water at a speed of 1600 feet per second. There was no perceptible jarring from the shot.

PRAYER OF PREACHERS.

Worcester, Mass., April 7.—The New England Methodist conference has adopted a resolution addressed to the president as follows: "The conference desires to express to you its profound sympathy in your untiring efforts in behalf of suffering humanity on the island of Cuba, and its hearty endorsement of your policy to do everything consistent with our honor as a nation to adjust the strained relations between this country and Spain without recourse to devastating war. It is the fervent prayer of the preachers and the people that you may have the dignified support of the national congress in the settlement of this difficulty."

STILL LOOKS FOR WAR.

Baltimore, April 7.—United States Senator Wellington, who was in Baltimore yesterday, said: "I had hoped that war could be averted, but I see no prospect of that at the present time, and unless there is a decided change in the situation war in a very short time is inevitable."

ACCUSED OF JUGGLING.

London, April 7.—The highest officials in this city are convinced that Spain designedly juggled the alleged facts of President McKinley's connection with the pope's attempt to mediate in order to influence public opinion in Europe against the United States, using the Spanish ambassadors at the capitals as the mouthpieces of the misinformation. This, apparently, had the desired effect upon continental opinion, but it had exactly the opposite effect in Great Britain.

RECEIVED NO ORDERS.

Havana, April 7.—The attitude of the public here is one of quiet expectancy. The order maintained in the city is admirable. Consul General Lee assures the correspondent of the Associated Press that he has received no instructions to leave Havana. It is reported, however, that some of the consular records were sent north by the Mascotte. She is expected back from Key West on Friday. With the Hache, Mangrove and Fern there will be ample accommodation then to take away all who are entitled to go.

MRS. WOODFORD'S DEPARTURE.

Madrid, April 7. Mrs. Woodford, wife of the United States minister, accompanied by her niece and Lieutenant G. L. Dyer, the United States naval attache, left last night for Biarritz. General Woodford bade them farewell at the station. Considerable surprise is expressed at their departure "in view of the settlement," but Miss Woodford remains, and it is explained that the others will soon return.

CONSTIPATE YOUR BOWELS WITH CASCARETS.
Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

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MURDERER'S VISIT

At a House in Weymouth Yesterday.

RETURNS OF CORPORATIONS AT STATE HOUSE.

Gov. Wolcott Appoints a New Judge.

Boston, April 7.—Captain Wyman of division 4 has learned that a suspiciously acting man who closely corresponded with the description of the murderer of Clerk Russell was seen at East Weymouth. A man called at a house there on the morning after the crime and asked for something to eat. That evening, while reading the story of the crime in a Boston paper, the members of the household who saw the young man of the morning instantly recognized in his the exact counterpart of the fellow described as the murderer of Clerk Russell. The clew will be followed closely.

The annual returns of corporations as reported by the secretary of the state to the legislature show the aggregate amount of capital invested in new corporations in 1897 as $70,894,250 and by increase of capital $5,427,600 additional. The whole number of certificates of incorporation is 508. The number of annual certificates of condition filed is 2141, of which 47 are duplicates or omissions of a previous year. Twenty-one corporations have reduced their capital $2,031,800 and 36 corporations have been dissolved by the supreme judicial court.

At an auction sale of mill stocks some fluctuations were evident as follows: Pacific, off 7 1-2, at 342 1-2; Massachusetts, off 1 1-4, at 78 3-4; Lyman, off 4, at 50 3-4, and Tremont and Suffolk, off 4 3-4, at 125 1-4.

When the executive council met yesterday Governor Wolcott announced the appointment of Judge Edmund Eldridge of Cottage City as justice of the Dukes county district court, which has just been made a district court. The governor also nominated Judge George W. Cate of Amesbury and Frank W. Hodgdon of Arlington members of the commission on the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire. They succeed to the vacancies caused by the death of Henry Carter and George Whitney.

In the municipal court yesterday, Isaac C. Harvey, charged with having in his possession 166 lobsters each of which was shorter than the length required by law, which is 10½ inches, was fined $5 for each lobster, aggregating $750.

WALKED ONCE TOO OFTEN.

Taunton, Mass., April 7.—James Pinkham, 70 years old, who, for nearly 40 years, had walked on the railroad track to and from his work with the Mason Machine company, was struck by a train last night and instantly killed. He was recently married, and also leaves three children by his first wife.

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REMOVES DISEASE BY MANIPULATION
HEALS BY VITALIZATION.

A Scientific Principle Which Will Live for Ages.

TS TRIUMPH OVER MEDICINE.

A Talk with Prof. J. P. Coffey, who has been associated with Der Fritz for the last two years, and acknowledged to be the Great Exponent of This Marvelous Principle, Which is Upsetting the Old-Time Theories of Physicians.

This is an age of the upsetting of old theories. Every day we hear of some master mind putting into practice a new method which is so far in advance of what had gone before that man stands appalled at the thought of his previous groping, and wonders how life could have progressed under the old condition. Look back over half a century and mark the upward steps that have led this nation to the high and proud position it now occupies; mark the wreaths of fame that rest upon the brows of our scientists, our inventors, our men of mind, with whom thought is action, and action the enlightening of mankind.

Probably the most important discovery of latter times, or more properly speaking, the most successful scientific development of a known principle (for it is as old as history), is the bringing into battle with sickness and disease of Vital Magnetism. The great exponent of this principle of life and health is Professor Coffey who, now in the prime of a useful life, finds he has mastered his subject, and having it completely in hand, can use it as nature intended it should be used, to benefit sick and suffering humanity.

He has made the anatomy of the human body a study; he knows disease and sickness by the various "help signals" that show in a hundred ways to his practiced eye, and which are undistinguishable to others. The successful operator must know every bone, muscle, nerve, vein and artery in the body, with its uses and relation to every other part, and the results that will follow from any abnormity of any one of them. The diagnosis is largely through the sense of touch, which is developed to the highest perfection.

"As the fingers of the blind are trained to read the letters of the alphabet through several thicknesses of cloth, so the fingers of the professor passed over the surface of the body, can detect the slightest displacement of any muscle, tendon, bone, artery or vein.

"He knows not only how the body looks when the anatomy is normal, but also how it feels. The location and nature of the trouble having been ascertained, the next thing is to know how to remove it, and this requires skill of another kind.

"Perhaps the trouble is caused by the malposition of some small ligament an inch or more from the surface, where it is impossible to get the fingers directly upon it. Then the operator must be acquainted with all the principles of mechanics as applied to machinery of the human body. He must understand how to use the various bones, muscles and ligaments as levers, pulleys, etc., and be able to calculate to a mathematical certainty just what movement is required and what the result will be.

"This involves not only a thorough knowledge of the laws of mechanics, but a knowledge of the mechanical relation of every part of the body to every other part.

"It is neither 'faith cure,' hypnotism nor massage although it has been classed with these things by those who have heard of it, but never investigated. As it consists of manipulation it is frequently confounded with massage, but there is nothing in common except that the hands are used in both systems. Beyond this fact they are totally different. In massage the operator rubs and puts the body at random, without any knowledge of anatomy, and expects results simply because such vigorous stirring up of the surface of the body has proved beneficial in some other case.

"Professor Coffey, however, can give a reason for every move he makes. He knows exactly what particular nerve, vein or artery he is endeavoring to reach or what bone, muscle or ligament he desires to readjust. Again, it is ignorantly supposed by some that this system of healing deals only with bone or nervous diseases. The Professor reasons that disease results from some displacement, enlargement, obstruction or abnormity of a bone, muscle or ligament, or some unnatural pressure upon a nerve or blood vessel.

"For example, a dislocation at the shoulder may cause rheumatism in the hand or wrist, a dislocated rib may produce heart disease, a diseased nerve in the stomach may affect the eyesight, and so on. The professor removes the obstruction by manipulation.

"The results that I have obtained over disease I have secured when I have handled the engine of life as an engineer handles his engine. So long as I conform to the laws governing an engine, the human locomotive obeys, just as well as any locomotive will obey its engineer when he treats it as the machinist has indicated by the form of any and all parts of the engine.

"If some substance should get into the wheels of a watch, or the cogs should become locked or bent, would a workman pour acids, new motive or some chemical calculated to destroy the works into it? No. First he would ascertain where the obstruction was, would remove it, straight in the bent wheels and set it going. This is done by scientific manipulation of the parts, without the use of drugs, the knife or surgical appliances of any kind.

"The [illegible] operator [illegible] his patient with [illegible] surgeon [illegible] his. There is no guesswork about his work—he handles that possibly one drug may do something in one way and another do something in another.

"I know when I turn off the current of that electric light in my room the light will cease to shine. I know that when a certain nerve or vein or muscle is shut off from its source of supply of power the parts to which it leads must logically become diseased.

"We know that the current of life is all right if all the conections are tight as the light comes into the globe when the knob is turned. We turn the knob which may be turned shut and light appears at once. I say we do this, and the records of our cases will show that we do it.

Thousands of men and women possess it in a degree, but it is in the study of its points and their scientific development that my success is due. My claim for it is this: Every human system is supplied with a certain amount of Vital Magnetism; when that supply falls below its proper limit sickness is as sure to follow as the day the night; we, being gifted with an excess amount of it, and having devoted years of deep study to the manner of properly transmitting it to those who suffer, are able to supply the amount that is lacking in the system of our patients, and what is the result?

"Health, glorious health, and nothing else.

"We study our patients first, finding the cause of the trouble, starting from the brain, which in every case is the head office of all bodily ills. Then finding the nerve lines that lead to the actual trouble, we send a supply of Vital Magnetism to the suffering spot and drive out of the system the cause of complaint, and the result is that the poor, tired, worn body that perhaps an hour before was racked with pain, now glows with the warmth of life and vitality; in fact, is born anew. All because the lacking amount of Vital Magnetism has been furnished, and the great principle of life and health is complete.

"That," continued Professor Coffey "is Vital Magnetism: I make no secret of what it is, or how to apply it. I believe thousands of men and women are blessed with this glorious gift, and I hope to see the day when it will be the great curative principle of the age, and that medicines and drugs will have been banished to the dark ages of mistakes, where they justly belong."

These great healers have been prevailed upon to extend their stay in Lowell for a few days.

Papers could be filled with the most wonderful cures performed by these men in Boston, and fully 10,000 people have witnessed their marvelous work during their lectures and healing clinics at both Berkeley and the People's Temples, Boston, and also at the Odd Fellow's Temple in Lowell during the last three months.

We know that such remarkable cures as are being made in this city seem almost incredible, and these performances seem more like miracles than solid facts, yet they have been witnessed by thousands of people as they daily took place at Odd Fellow's Temple in the most public manner.

The healers have offices at the American house where those who are in need and willing to pay for treatment may be cured.

Hours from 9 a. m. to 7.30 p. m. and on Sundays from 10 to 12 only.

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WANTED—MAN 25 TO 40, OF GOOD ADdress for permanent good paying position if satisfactory. Add ess box 428, city.

FOUND—ON MIDDLESEX STREET, A purse containing a small sum of money. Owner can recover by applying to T. F. Brennan, corner of Fayette and East Merrimack streets.

ROOMS TO LET IN THE SUN BUILDING. Inquire at The Sun office.

WANTED—A CLOAKMAKER IN THE Cloak Department, one who can speak French. 78 Middlesex street.

FOR SALE—165 HIGH STREET, 1 ICE chest, 7½x8 feet, 4½ deep.

TO LET—TWO FURNISHED ROOMS, SINgularly or in suite. Inquire at 165 High street.

BARBER SHOP FOR SALE—GOOD LOcation. Cheap. Apply at Sun office.

SKIRTS MADE TO ORDER $1.00, WAISTS to order $2. Work guaranteed. Madame O. Gaulois, dressmaker, 347 Market street.

WANTED—A PLEASANT GIRL TO DO general housework, 161 Princeton street.

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MADAME CLENDENING, FROM PARIS—The celebrated palmist. Correct readings on all affairs of life, will be here a few days longer, 16 John street.

FOR SALE—SMALL GROCERY AND VAriety store. Good location and business. Call or address P, Sun office.

MONEY TO LOAN ON HOUSES, CARriages, furniture, pianos, etc., strictly confidential. J. K., Box 963, Lowell, Mass.

WALL PAPERS AT FACTORY PRICES—$2.00 will put your room with the finest design of wall paper with border to match. First class work guaranteed. We also do painting, whitewashing and kalsomining at low prices. New York Wall Paper Co., 338 Middle ex street.

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FOR SALE—HOUSE AND BARN, 5000 FEET of land, 7 to go square rooms, pantry, bath, hot and cold water, gas in both house and barn, hennery, stable for three horses, pear trees, 3 minutes walk from electrics. Address Box 715 city.

WANTED—MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK at home. I pay $3 to $16 per week for making crayon portraits, new patent method, anyone who can read or write can do the work at home in spare time, day or evening. Send for particulars and work at once. Address H. A. Gripp, German artist, Tyrone, Pa.

TO LET—STABLE, TWO STALLS, HARness closet, ample carriage room, concreted, rear of 59 Tyler street, entrance from George or Church streets. Apply to Charles H. Walker.

FOR SALE—ON GATES' LAND NEAR Westford street, two tenement house with all modern improvements; good corner lot; price $850. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—LADIES TO KNOW THEY CAN get their straw, leghorn or manila hats cleansed or dyed and made in the latest shapes at the Hat and Bonnet Bleachery, 161 Merrimack street.

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TWO NICE FOUR ROOM TENEMENTS TO rent. Inquire at 79 Chestnut street.

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MENTHOL CREAM SHAMPOO IS USED in all the leading hair dressing and bath parlors in New England. Menthol Cream Shampoo removes dandruff and all humors of the scalp. It contains alcohol, glycerine and menthol, it gives a rich, creamy lather and when used in the bath will remove pimples, etc., leaving the skin clear and soft. 50 cents per bottle. Sold by leading druggists.

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WANTED — HOUSEGIRLS AT THE Lowell Employment office, 352 Merrimack street, opposite City Hall.

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Will buy this splendid new 5½ story hip roof house of 8 rooms, attic, pantry and bath room with tub, marble wash bowls, etc., hot and cold water, maple floors in dining room, kitchen, pantry and bath room; piazza and balcony; nice lot of land, high and dry; very sightly, near cars and schools, will sell for $1400. Small payment down secures this bargain. Quick or you lose it. A. J. RYAN, 3 Hildreth Bldg., Old Post Office.

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House cars near the new Moody street bridge, on the principal streets and avenues with all modern improvements, such as gas, city water, sewers, sidewalks, schools, etc. The location is one of the best in the city, being by actual measurement only 600 feet from the corner of Central and Merrimack streets to the Emery land. Over 200 buildings have been built on the Emery land in the last two years. Is not that a good indication of what this property is going to be? Call for plans. Prices low. Terms easy. Wm. H. Emery.
A. J. Ryan, 3 Hildreth Building, (Old Post Office.

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Every package guaranteed, money refunded if not satisfactory.

These goods we sell for 20c. to 22c. a pound, which is 2c. to 4c. less than market prices.

100 Fresh Eggs, $1.00.
Darks' Eggs, 20c. doz.
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Pea Beans, hand-picked, 5c. qt., 30c. pk., $1.15 bush.
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New Fancy Split Peas, 40c. pk.

FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

3 cans Peaches, 25c.
3 cans Tomatoes, 25c.
3 cans Corn, 25c.
3 cans Pine Apple, 25c.
3 cans Marrow Peas, 25c.
3 cans Raspberries, 25c.
3 cans Marrow Squash, 25c.
8 cans Rolled Oats, 25c.
3 packages Buckeye Oats, 25c.
10 lbs Rye Flour, 25c.
10 lbs. Graham Flour, 25c.
10 bars Laundry Soap, 25c.
7 bars Lenox Soap, 25c.
3 bottles Lemon Extract, 25c.
3 bottles best Vanilla Extract, 25c.
5 lbs. Turkey Prunes, 25c.
5 lbs. 3 Crown Raisins, 25c.
3 lbs. old fashioned Dried Apples, 25c.
50 bush. choice Mealy White Potatoes, 50c. bush., 25c. pk.
50 bush. choice Hebron Potatoes, 90c., bush., 25c. pk.
75 bush. choice New Hampshire Red Potatoes, 50c. bush., 25c. pk.
55 bush. choice Danvers Onions, 75c. bush., 20c. pk.
15 bush. choice Red Onions, 50c. bush., 15c. pk.

All these goods are the best and will go sold out soon.

3 cans Alaska Salmon, 25c.
3 cans Baldwin Apples, 25c.
5 lb. can fine flavored O Government Java coffee, $1. We defy all to equal this coffee. Sold everywhere for 35c. lb.
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3 lbs. 3-Crown Currants, 25c.
6 cans best Maine Succotash, 25c.
3 cans Clams, 25c.
3 cans Red Shield Stringless Beans, 25c.
6 cans French Sardines, 25c.

FISH DEPARTMENT.

Live Cork tail Haddock, fresh every day, 4c. lb.

Smoked Halibut, 12c. lb.
Live cock tail Haddock, fresh every day, 5c. lb.
Smoked Bloaters, 20c. doz.
Fresh Shoal Halibut, fresh every day, 10c. lb.
Smoked Salmon, 15c.
Fresh Chicken Halibut, fresh every day, 12c. lb.
Smoked Bloaters, 20c doz.
Kippered Herring, 25c. doz.
Finnan Haddy, 7c. lb.
Fresh Connecticut River Shad, 20c. each.
20 lb. boxes Boneless Cod, $1.
Fresh Penobscot River Salmon, 10c. lb.
10-lb. Scrap Cod, 30c.
Fresh Blue Fish, 8c. lb.
5 lb. box Boneless Cod, 35c.
Fresh Striped Bass, a Game Fish, 15c. lb.
3 lb. extra quality Minced Cod, 25c.
Fresh White Fish, 10c lb.
Fresh Eels, 10c. lb.
3 lb. box Fancy Boned Herring, 25c.
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Fresh Herrings, fresh Alewives.
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Halibut Steaks, 10c. lb.
Halibut Cheaks, 10c lb.
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Fresh Herring, Fresh Alewives, Spawn, 10c. lb.
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Rump Steak, 15c to 25c.
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Round Steak, 10 to 12 1-2c.
Top Round Steak, 15c. to 18c.
Lamb Mutton Chops, 10c. to 15c.
Pork Chops, 10c., 12c., 15c.
Roast Beef, 8c. to 13c.
Boiling Beef, 3c. to 5c.
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A New York literary man relates that he recently had occasion to consult a well-known physician for a stomach trouble which was pronounced a type of dyspepsia. "After consultation," he writes, "the Doctor gave me a prescription, and I was somewhat surprised to note that the formula was nearly identical with that of

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for which I had, on more than one occasion, prepared advertising matter. I had the prescription filled, and it proved satisfactory, giving quick relief. A week later, when I had taken all the medicine, I again called on the Doctor and mentioned the similarity of Six prescription and the proprietary remedy spoken of, showing him both the remedy itself and the formula. The Doctor was at first somewhat inclined to criticise what he called patent medicines, but appeared to be surprised when he noted to what extent his own prescription conformed to the formula I showed him. It was practically the same. After a short time devoted to noting the careful manner in which the proprietary medicine was prepared, he wound up by prescribing it for my case. Of course I had to pay him for telling me to do this, but it was worth the cost to have such high professional assurance that the advertised article was, in fact, the scientific formula that it purported to be. I might have taken the proprietary medicine in the beginning and saved the Doctor's fee, but I think the confidence I have acquired in the efficacy of the remedy, through the Doctor's indorsement of it, is well worth the fee."

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Millions of Easter lilies, roses and violets, pure and sweet as the dreams of babes; thousands of dainty boxes, baskets and jardinieres ready to place them in; miles of bright-colored ribbons to knot about exquisite bunches of fragrant bloom—and all for the glorious Easter day, sacred to Flora, to purity and to affection. 'Tis a beautiful custom, this giving of sweet flowers to sweethearts and to dear friends on this gladsome day, when the thoughts, like the flowers, look upward and the rich elixir of Spring is in the air and in the blood.

Of all the flowers that bloom the gracefulness, the purity and the whiteness of the lily of Bermuda best symbolizes the Easter sentiment, and have made it the queen flower for Easter time. This lily takes most kindly to the soil and climate of Bermuda, where millions of the bulbs are grown annually and shipped to this and other countries. The bulbs are purchased by the florists, and planted in their hothouses about a month before Easter, so as to be in full bloom by the holiday. Should the blossoms show signs of opening too soon, the plants are placed on their sides; and the growth thus retarded until the proper time arrives. The Easter lily improves with the age of the plant. The bulbs should be at least two years old, though some dealers prefer to wait until their fourth year, when they are hardy enough to produce beautiful flowers, even with careless treatment.

But the Easter lily has its rivals, its attendants, its maids of honor, as, indeed, a queen should have. Rivaling it in beauty, but not in suggestiveness of white purity is the Japanese lily. This is a gorgeous flower, with long, slightly curved petals, touched with tawny spots and of a rare fragrance. The American Beauty rose is another rival; and, notwithstanding its color, many give it the place of honor on Easter day. The flowers are large and of a rich deep red, with strong stems covered with luxuriant foliage.

The azalea, with its wealth of blossoms, makes a pretty and harmonious accompaniment to the stately lily; while the acacia, the lilac, jonquils and tulips all do service as attendant beauties. The modest little violet, the more saucy carnations, dainty pink and white daisies, primroses and the fragrant arbutus are making ready their most beautiful blossoms for Easter day. All of these and many more flowers of rare beauty and fragrance will be ready at the diligent florist's sales counters to deplete the pockets of the sighing lover, the generous friend, the happy husband—whoever cares to buy—come Easter time.

The sensible fashion of sending the growing plant in place of cut flowers is becoming more common each Easter. The plants, with a suitable amount of rich soil, are put up in handsome jardinieres or baskets; and, if cared for, will flourish for months, giving of their fragrance and beauty generously, as constant reminders of the kind hand which sent them. Some of these receptacles for the growing plants are quite elaborate affairs and beautifully decorated. They are mounted on tripods of bamboo, painted in rich designs; and, when crowned with the growing plant in full bloom, have an exceedingly handsome and decorative effect.

For table decoration few flowers are more appropriate and beautiful than growing jonquils and violets in full blossom. The plants are potted in silver and Bohemian glass or in pretty basket-work cases. A suitable decoration for an Easter dinner would be a mirror lake in the center of the table, with a boat loaded with blooming violets riding on its surface and shores bordered with ferns and the foliage and bloom of small-petaled flowers.

The young man who would send his lady love an Easter floral offering this year, will have to go down deep into his pocket for an abundance of cash, if he is ambitious to utilize all the magnificence the florist can place at his disposal. To begin with the flowers and their accessories will cost much money; and then will come the delivery, which is really a very grand and imposing affair, likewise costing very much more money. The fashionable florist's delivery cart of to-day is a magnificent equipage, with a coachman and footman in royal sables occupying the box, and drawn by costly well-groomed horses in harnesses of enameled violet leather with gold and silver mountings.

Yes, all this will come high; but it is all very fine and proper and doubtless will make a very deep impression on the heart of My Lady Disdain. And yet, a little bunch of violets, fresh from the hands of the giver, can convey as tender a message or tell of love as abiding or friendship as faithful to lady love or friend; and so the very poor as well as the very rich can give and receive the blessings of the happy Easter time. Not the costliness of the gift, but the affection of the giver, makes its value.

Lavender Perfume for Smelling Salts.

Six drams of oil of lavender aug., five drops of oil of cloves aug., ten drops of oil of rose geranium, ten drops of attar of roses, one dram and a half of essence of ambergris, two drams of essence of bergamotte, one dram and a half of essence of musk. Mix and shake well before dropping on the salts.

Pale pink afternoon and evening gowns are daintily finished with a belt of delicate violet velvet.

"The Power Of An Endless Life" Is In The Soul Of Easter Rife.

EASTER LILIES IN THE BERMUDAS.

AN EASTER ALTAR DECORATION.

THE FRIVOLOUS SIDE OF EASTER TIME.

Some Of The Monster Eggs Made For Display This Year.

COMIC FIGURES ON EASTER EGG SHELLS.

In these days of skilled confectioners the Easter eggs, natural and artificial, have become, some of them, veritable works of art, while all exhibit the skill and ingenuity of their manufacturers in the grotesqueness, beauty or costliness of their designs. Nor will the outside of the Easter egg alone, however quaint or beautiful it may be, absorb the attention of the recipient; but eager fingers will at once seek to solve the mystery—what woman or child is there who does not delight in mystery of the kind of the breed of the chicken the egg will hatch. And the chickens! Well, you may expect to find anything from a bed room set to an Easter bonnet in your egg this year; for watches, rings, brooches, clocks, studs, pins, gloves, sweetmeats, handkerchiefs, books, photos, and live birds are the names of but a few of the many delightful surprises which will await the egg openers.

Eggs in which presents are to be placed are made of papier-mache shells, and are usually covered with hand-painted satin. Of course where the giver is an artist, the value of the gift will be enhanced greatly if the painting is done by the same hand that sends the gift. Travelers sometimes bring in ostrich eggs to be painted and filled; and, at least, one egg of the extinct great auk has passed through the hands of the confectioner. This egg would be a gift fit for a king, empty or filled, for the rarity of the great auk's eggs makes them of very great value. But the record-breaker, in point of size and probably in costliness, was an egg made in London and sent to a South African millionaire's bride. The shell of this giant egg was composed entirely of chocolate, and was nine feet long and eighteen feet in circumference at the widest part. It required seven men to carry it. A ton of superfine confectionery, an expensive and extensive wedding trousseau and numerous wedding gifts were all packed within the egg. The bill for the sweetmeats alone was $2,000, and the whole was insured for many thousands of dollars, before being shipped for Africa.

A few years ago a certain New York railroad magnate had a superb Easter egg made for his little son. It was a box. Another elaborate and costly affair is a very pretty egg, carried in a bamboo cab or jinricksha, and drawn by a team of four stately little storks. On the high seat at the back stands a fifth stork, who, with all the dignity of union of a Fifth-avenue coachman, appears to be ready to drive the dainty equipage post haste to the home of the donor's lady love. Of course the proper thing to do would be to drop a beautiful jewel into the egg before giving the coachman the address. Then there are rich cakes, in the form of magnificent eggs, iced and decorated in a most beautiful manner; and bound, where the two halves are joined, with pretty ribbons.

But the quaintest and funniest of all are the Easter egg likenesses. These are made from hen's eggs. The contents are first blown out and the shells weighted or balanced with fine shot, in such a way that they will always stand on end. An artist now takes the eggs and judges from their shapes, what "character" to give each one. Then, with brush and paint, he proceeds to transform the eggs into ludicrous caricatures of, it may be, Mr. Gladstone, Grover Cleveland, Cecil Rhodes, McKinley or other notable characters. Now the funny thing is the behavior of these egg-men. Knock Grover Cleveland down; and, with his usual obstinacy, up he bobs ready for another hit. Push Gladstone over; and the Grand Old Fellow jumps up so quickly and frowns so fiercely, that one is quite sure he must have seen a Turk. Even McKinley cannot be downed; and the dude swaggers about furiously, and the clown rolls and tumbles around in a way to make the heart glad and the lips laugh. It is the fine shot, held firmly by wax to the bottom inside of the shell, that enables these quaint little egg-men to accomplish these marvelous gymnastical feats.

The Easter egg novelties for children are more numerous and costly than ever this year. Beautiful and elaborate eggs made of satin or plaited straw, have hidden within, them delightful surprises for the bright eyes of their owners to spy out. A doll's complete trousseau, or a miniature tea or dinner-service, or a regiment of soldiers, or a boy's tool chest, or countless

SOME QUEER EASTER EGG IDEAS.

miniature carriage, the body being in the shape of a huge egg, enamelled white, lined with white quilted satin, and drawn by a pair of exceedingly diminutive ponies. This is but one of the many Easter extravagancies indulged in by New Yorkers. Indeed, no city in the world buys costlier Easter eggs than does New York; and this fact has made its confectioners the most skillful of workmen in this department of art.

This year the display of Easter novelties is especially attractive, and includes many beautiful and quaint designs. There is the little Swiss carrier, with the egg in the pannier; and a very large and extremely wise-looking mother owl and her numerous family, with bodies made of delicious chocolate eggs, which is quite sure to please lovers of the odd. While a real chick, dressed to represent a milliner's apprentice, with a great box of eggs in one hand and a bunch of fragrant flowers in the other, can, should the donor wish, deliver an expensive hat or bonnet in lieu of the eggs in the games and mechanical toys of all kinds are apt to make the hatching of the eggs on Easter day an exceedingly enjoyable occupation for the children.

The Origin of a Name.

The lovely Marechal Niel rose owes its name to the Empress Eugenie. When General Niel returned from the scene of his triumphs over the Austrians in Italy after the battles of Solferino and Magenta a poor man gave him a basket filled with exquisite yellow roses. The general had a cutting struck from one of the blooms, and when the rose tree from it had grown he took it to the Empress Eugenie. She was charmed with the gift, but when she asked the name of the rose, she was told that it was unknown. "Ah!" she said. "I will give it a name; it shall be the Marechal Niel." By this she conveyed to the gallant officer that he had been made a marshal of France for his services to the country, as well as naming the lovely blossom.

EASTER FANCIES AND FADS TO INTEREST THE FAIR SEX.

Brides Now Wear Jewels.

It is noticeable at many of the smart weddings of the season that the bride no longer denies herself the wearing of any jewels. It used to be a sort of unwritten but carefully adhered-to law that a maiden on her wedding day should have no ornaments save those of her blooming youth and the typical flowers of her state. This, however, has been gradually changed, and brides appear more and more often with superb gems. It was literally a yard of pearls that a bride wore on her neck not long ago when she became a wife. A bit of sentiment about this comparatively new jewel-wearing of brides is that only the ornaments that are given by the immediate family or the groom shall be thus honored.

A Severe Law.

The Argentine Republic has imposed a tax upon celibates of either sex. These are the first two clauses of the new law: "On and after January 1st, 1897, every male from the age of twenty to eighty shall pay a tax until he marries, and shall pay it once in every month." Clause 2: "Young celibates of either sex who shall, without legitimate motive, reject the addresses of him or her (ladies may propose in Argentine) who may aspire to her or his hand, and who continue contumaciously unmarried, shall pay the sum of 500 piastres for the benefit of the young person man or woman, who has been so refused."

Glass Obtained from Grass.

Grass might be supposed to be the last material from which glass could be obtained. But an accident at a northern glass factory proves that it is so. A large mass of esparto grass had been burnt by mischance in a furnace, and after it had been entirely consumed large masses of glass were found amongst the ashes. These pieces, on being treated in the usual manner in a kiln, produced glass which is described as "a good sample of bottle-glass." At first sight this seems most extraordinary, but as flint, which is the chief component of glass, is to be found in large quantities in all grasses, and particularly in the straw of wheat and oats, it is easily explained.

Satin Underskirts.

Satin, as having greater lustre than silk, is chosen for the under dress of the organdie and gauze dresses now being made for the summer. It is claimed, too, that satin will be the most suitable material for the sheath skirt. Taffeta is too light in weight and too bouffante. The satin mareilleuse once so fashionable makes the most durable of all skirts, whether for an outer or an under dress.

Dress Accessories.

Something very pretty for summer dresses is the boxed dress patterns of white applique lawn. This is predestined to take the place entirely of the once well loved brown batiste and the white embroidered lawn. The applique is edged all about with a fine line of black needlework, and a white organdie, showered over with pale lavender and deep purple iris blossoms, set in a delicate black framework, is a delectable sight to beauty-loving eyes.

THE UNIQUE AND THE ODD.

Many stories could be told of the alertness which Senators display in securing well-placed desks, but the experience of Mr. Vest is especially worth relating. When, in 1883, the civil service law was being discussed, Mr. Pendleton, an Ohio Democrat, and Mr. Dawes had presented bills. By a shrewd bit of politics the Republicans abandoned their support of the Dawes bill and voted for Mr. Pendleton's measure, their votes together with the votes of the Democrats favorable to the measure, being sufficient to pass it. As the bill was about to be voted on, Mr. Cockrell moved that its title be changed so as to read: "A bill to retain Republicans in office." As soon as it passed Mr. Vest filed a claim for Mr. Pendleton's seat. "The author of such a bill," said he, "will never come back to the Senate."

Mr. Vest was right, and at the beginning of the next Congress he moved into Mr. Pendleton's vacant chair.—Washington Post.

A darky was suing a railroad company for damages—caused by the killing of his cow. There was a strong suspicion that he had purposely driven the cow on the track.

"You'll swear you didn't?"

"Did you not drive the animal in front of the engine?" asked the lawyer for the road.

"No, suh, I didn't!"

"Yes, suh, ten times over!"

He won the case, but as he pocketed the check for his money some one overheard him say:

"Dat wuz a narrow escape I had, I tell you; but I tol' him de truth. It wuzn't me what driv' de cow in front er de engine, but my brother-in-law—he de one done it! I mighty glad dat lawyer stop when he did, kase he wuz right in de fambly!"

The Patron—I confess that I'm prone to making a mountain out of a molehill.

The Clairvoyant—Why don't you go into the real estate business?

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CLOTHES BASKETS.

Clothes Baskets are going fast with a pound of 60c Tea. This is the only out of these goods we will have. Dickson Bros., the Big Tea Dealers, 6 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada Bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 18 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 469-4.

Coal and coal. If you want the best, order it of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street.

Kittredge & Son of this city have the contract for erecting a dam at Manchester, N. H.

See the fancy belts in my window. Up to date. Bottom prices. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

Miss Bridget T. Cryan has entered the employ of Miss M. A. Baird of the Temple of Design.

The Misses Lennon and the Misses McCarthy of this city are spending a few days in New York city.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 953 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone.

Miss Lena Bagshaw, daughter of W. H. Bagshaw, the well known manufacturer, has entered Elmhurst academy, Elmhurst, R. I.

The M. Steinert & Sons company have leased the store well known as the Bijou Shoe store, Masonic Temple, 130 Merrimack street. They are having a special sale of pianos. See ad.

If the object in buying a bicycle is getting over the road Safely, Easily, and Quickly, then buy a "Racycle." It is "The" wheel this year. For sale only at 16 Merrimack street.

Lowell, April 1, 1898.

The annual meeting of the Lowell Reform club corporation will be held in Columbia hall, Friday evening, April 8, 1898, at 8 o'clock.

—A. E. Joy, President.
J. J. Harrington, Clerk.

Sold out to A. A. Tarbell & Co. Dry Goods, large line of Dress Goods, Cloth and Fur Capes. Spring and Winter Cloaks, at retail and auction at 2 and 7 p. m. Everything to be sold this week. Store to be closed Saturday night. 112 Merrimack street. J. W. Bruce, auctioneer.

Grand Cake Walk and Dance at the Armory, April 28th. Those who wish to participate in the Cake Walk of G company, 6th Regiment, M.V.M., should make application to Corporal P. T. Durrell, 11 Bleachery street. The number of contestants will be limited to twelve couples. The committee reserve the right to approve or reject all applications. Applications will close April 20.

Monday night, the young friends of Master Albert L. J. Hatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Hatch, gathered at his home, 383 Worthen street and helped him celebrate his thirteenth birthday. During the evening, a pleasing entertainment was given, including songs by Miss Nettie Studley, Miss Elnora Clifford, Geneva Hatch, Nellie Fairweather, Mable Hatch, Rena Saunders. Miss Nettie Studley presided at the piano.

Geo. F. Stiles, deputy sheriff and messenger of the insolvent estate of P. P. Stiles & Co., will sell at public auction on Friday, April 8th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at store, corner of Market and Dutton streets, all the stock of groceries and movable fixtures contained in said store, the same to be sold in one lot; also horses, wagons, harnesses, sleigh, etc. Above described property is sold by order of the court of insolvency for Middlesex county. Terms of sale will be cash. Stock of goods can be inspected any time before the sale.

STOVER'S STRIKERS

GET $148 FROM HAVERHILL CONCERT.

The Stover Shoe Shop strikers are just as firm as ever. Last night they received a check for $148 from Haverhill—their share of the receipts of a concert given there recently. The strikers have not been near Mr. Stover but they say he has about 145 green hands in the shop, whereas his regular working force numbers about 300.

COMPANY C INSPECTED.

BY LIEUT. COL. CHAFFIN LAST NIGHT.

Company C was informally inspected by Lieut. Col Chaffin of Southbridge at the armory last night. There were present many spectators who were immensely pleased with the drill.

They were well entertained for in addition to the usual routine work a squad directed by Corporal Saunders operated on a Gatling gun. They went through the various complicated movements which go to make a drill of this kind interesting and their uniform work was highly appreciated.

The company was commanded by Captain Greig, Lieut. Livingston and Lieut. Costello.

After the drill the recently promoted "non coms" were examined by Major Taylor of Wakefield.

Lieutenants Livingston and Costello gave a spread to their fellow members as a sort of observance of their recent promotion. It was served in the commissary room. Lieut. Col. Chaffin was one of the guests. Speaking of the war scare he stated that all the companies of the Sixth regiment are ready for service. He said that 1200 men, all of the Sixth, could be brought together within a few hours.

The ambulance corp had a full attendance, with the exception of Dr. Bell, who is ill, at its regular drill last night. The drill, while not so complicated as that of a company with firearms, was novel and interesting.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Fine job printing done at this office.

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HEBREW FESTIVAL

Of the Passover Now Being Observed.

COMMEMORATIVE OF THE DELIVERY FROM BONDAGE.

Descriptions of Their Interesting Ceremony.

With the deepening of the shadows last evening, the Hebrew residents of this city, as their brethren the world over, began the commemoration of the delivery of their ancestors from bondage in the land of Egypt.

The opening services were held in the McIntyre street synagogue last evening, and this morning and evening and Friday morning and evening, there will be services. On these two days, the faithful are obliged to abstain from all work, and as the regular Sabbath service will be conducted Saturday, they will have a celebration of three days.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, they are allowed to return to work, and on Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning, and evening, and Thursday morning, there are services again and the people cease work. Thursday evening, the people are free to return to work.

Passover, the fast of gladness and rejoicing, the holiday of holidays of the Hebrews, is ushered in to last eight days. For a number of weeks elaborate preparations have been in progress among the ancient people for the observance of this sacred commemoration, and when the happy days come, the luxuriousness of the feasts are only limited by their worldly possessions. During these days gladness reigns supreme among both the rich and the poor.

During Passover, or Pesach, as it is called in Hebrew, the children of Israel eat the matzos, or "bread of poverty," like that which their fathers ate in the exodus from Egypt.

On Tuesday evening, all manner of leaven was removed from every Hebrew household or accounted null in the following prayer by the master of the family:

"All manner of leaven which is in my possession which I have not seen or removed shall be null and accounted dust of the earth." If the master is not at home, he annuls the leaven wherever he is.

Dishes, cooking utensils and crockeries that have been used during the year must be replaced by new ones that have not been touched by leaven.

Every household must have a supply of matzos to last eight days and some Passover wine, distilled especially for the occasion, for the Sedorim, or the ceremonial feasts of the first two nights which form the most striking features of the entire holiday.

These are symbolic suppers. The table must be prepared for them during daylight, but the ceremonies do not begin until after nightfall. Last evening, the first feast, or Sedor, took place.

The nature of the feast is as follows: On a dish three matzos are placed, each covered separately and on them are placed in order the bitter herbs—horse radish or lettuce, which are taken in commemoration of the bitter work the Israelites were forced to perform in Egypt; raw parsley, dipped in yellowish charoseth, which is taken in remembrance of the clay which they had to stamp in the land of the Pharaohs; the shank bone, which is a memorial to the Passover lamb; the egg, a memorial of the sacrifices brought during the Passover, when the Hebrews dwelt in their own land.

What is wanted first at the ceremony must be placed nearest to the head of the family, who presides at the feast.

Women and children all participate in the feast, and the mother of the household details to them the history of their ancestors' deliverance from Egypt.

To emphasize the liberty which their forefathers gained, every Hebrew father is considered a king at these feasts and every mother a queen. As a sign of their great freedom, they lean back and recline rather than sit at the table.

The men are dressed in the muslin, full-flowing white death robes, ready to follow the call of the Messiah, like their forefathers in Egypt. During the feasts, many prescribed plays are recited in quaint Oriental melodies that were never written and have come down from generation to generation, it is said, for hundreds of years.

Four cups of wine must be drunk during the Sedorim. The cup must have the capacity of a revith or of an egg and a half. Everything that is eaten and drunk during the feasts is done so according to the prescribed order of the services.

The following opening prayer of the service breathes the spirit of the occasion:

"Lo This is the bread of affliction which our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt: let all those who are hungry enter and eat thereof and all those who are in distress come and celebrate the Passover. At present we celebrate it here, but the next year, we hope to celebrate it in the land of Israel. This year we are aliens, but next year we hope to be freemen in the land of Israel."

But it may not be amiss to say that while the invitation to the poor and distressed of the first part of the prayer is always justified in deed, the latter part thereof is said more out of custom than out of conviction or belief.

A quaint feature of the Sedor is the following four questions, which the youngest member of the family asks the father or the mother of ceremonies:

Wherefore is this night distinguished from other nights? Any other night we may eat either leavened or unleavened bread, but on this night only unleavened bread; any other night we may eat any species of herbs, but this night only bitter herbs; any other night we do not dip even once, but on this night twice; on all the other nights we eat and drink either sitting or leaning, but on this night we all recline."

The answer is recited by the father:

"Because we were slaves unto Pharaoh in Egypt, and the Eternal, our God, brought us forth from thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; and if the Most Holy, blessed be He, had not brought forth our ancestors from Egypt, we and our children and children's children, had still continued in bondage to the Pharaohs in Egypt; therefore, although we were all wise, all of us having knowledge in the law, it nevertheless is incumbent upon us to discourse of the departure from Egypt, and all those who largely discourse of the departure from Egypt are to be praised."

IS YOUR HAIR TURNING GRAY?

What does your mirror say? Does it tell you of some little streaks of gray? Are you pleased? Do your friends of the same age show this loss of power also?

Just remember that gray hair never becomes darker without help, while dark hair rapidly becomes gray when once the change begins.

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If you do not obtain all the benefits you expected from the use of the Vigor, write the Doctor about it.

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CHAPLAIN KILLED

Missionaries at Shang Hai Murdered.

THE DEMANDS OF THE AMERICAN CONSUL

That the Soldiers be Disarmed.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Shanghai, April 7.—It is reported here that a chapel in Chung King of the Kiuen Province, belonging to an American mission has been attacked by rioters and some persons of the mission have been murdered. The United States consul has demanded from the Tsotli, first that the soldiers shall be disbanded; second, that the murderers shall be put to death and the ringleaders be arrested; third, that 500 taels be paid as compensation for the chapel destroyed; and fourth, that full protection be given to the missionaries when they return.

Several skirmishes are reported to have occurred in Formosa between the armies and rebels. The result of the Japanese general's election shows that neither the opposition, nor the government parties will have a working majority in the next Diet without the adherence of neutrals. It is stated that the United States government intends to establish a consulate at Vladivostock.

WOMAN FOR MAYOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boise, Idaho, April 7.—Miss Jessie E. Parker was elected Mayor of Kendrick Idaho, after a spirited contest. Her opponent was one of the most popular men in the city.

INDIANS ARE UGLY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Fort Duchesne, Utah, April 7.—News from Ouray is to the effect that Indians are going in large numbers toward the mouth of Willow Creek in White River and the Uncompaghres are highly incensed at the allotment commissioners for their dilatory action. An Indian agent, Cornish, has left for the Willow Creek district to inform the Indians that the lands are open for settlement and that the whites were entitled by law to squat there.

The Utes are very ugly and one shot, accidentally or otherwise, may precipitate trouble.

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THE JUVENILE DIAMOND.

The Alpines would like to challenge the Mammoths for a game April 10. Please answer this challenge. Signed —James Kelley, Manager of the Alpines.

SMOKED HER PIPE.

An old woman smoking a pipe called at the police station last night to ask for shelter. She said she had come from Nashua to look for a lost boy and had not the wherewithal to return. Captain Kew provided for her.

STOP THAT COUGH!

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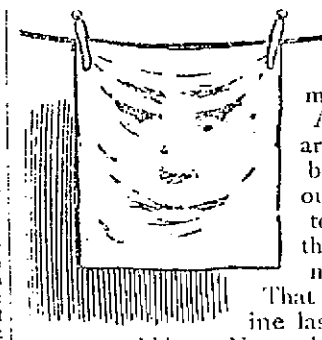

Clothes-pins

make some of the holes—but most of them come from rubbing. And no matter how careful you are, the constant wear of the washboard weakens the fabric, thins it out, makes it easy to tear and pull to pieces. You can't help having this wearing process, even with the most conscientious washing.

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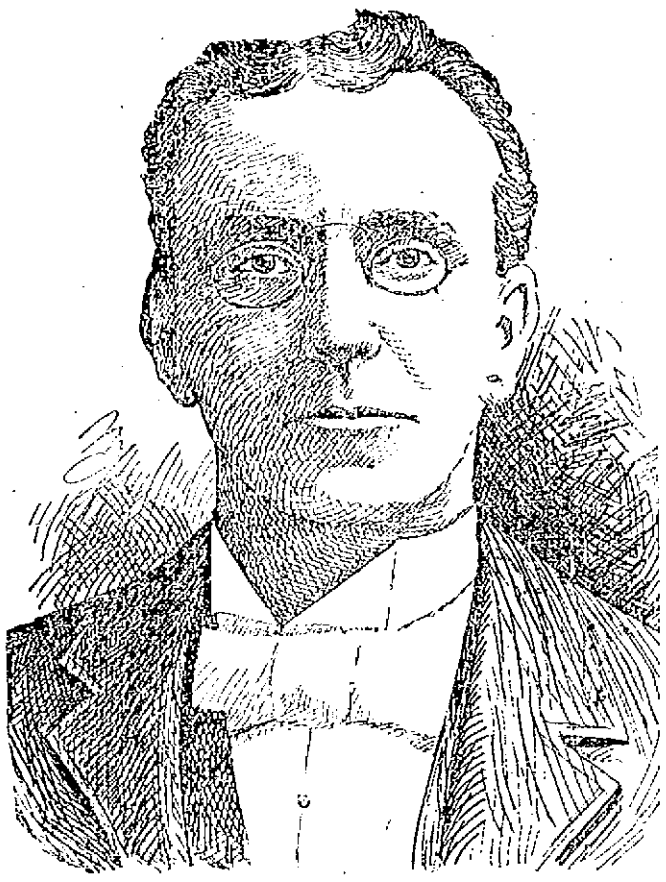

THOMAS F. DELEHANTY, Who Took a Prominent Part in the Spinners' Convention in Boston for the Past Two Days.

EXTRA

MESSAGE A CLOSED PAPER

McKinley so Announced to His Callers Today.

He is Conscious of Criticism Passed on Administration—Assistant Secretary Day Says Lee Will Leave Cuba by Saturday—All Americans Will be Gone by That Time.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Up to late in the forenoon there had not been any important developments bearing on the situation. President McKinley announced to some of his callers that he regarded his message to Congress as a closed document unless there is an unexpected radical change in the existing situation. Mr. McKinley is said to be conscious of the criticism passed on the administration for delay of action, but said he expected it would follow. Assistant Secretary Day, after a conference with the President this morning said he expected Consul General Lee would leave Cuba by Saturday. He said the Americans on the island were being gotten off rapidly and about Saturday he believed the situation would permit General Lee to vacate his post and return to the United States.

WOODFORD TO LEAVE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—The morning newspapers here are unanimous in expressing the belief that the situation is very grave. Several papers announce that General Woodford will leave Madrid tomorrow. He has now taken up his residence at the United States legation.

QUEEN'S APPEAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 7.—It is reported that the Queen Regent of Spain has again appealed to Queen Victoria direct, asking the latter to exert her influence to avert war and, it is added touchingly recalling the fact that both Victoria and herself are widows and deprived of advisers."

A NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The President remains firm in his determination to forcibly intervene in Cuba if necessary to put an end to hostilities and to secure tranquillity and a most stable government on the island. This information from a high source clearly indicates that a naval demonstration against Havana has been considered and is almost certain to be made within the next few days unless Spain yields and if this demonstration results in war, the President is ready to accept the issue. A cabinet officer today said: "Why are we hurrying Americans out of Cuba, except that their lives will be in danger after the President's message has gone to congress and its purpose is known to the Cubans. That is the reason, and the only one."

This government, it is further stated, has learned to distrust much that comes even from the financial sources at Madrid and from now on actions and not words, a member of the cabinet declared, will determine our policy.

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FOR THE CHILDREN. Just received a large lot of wheelbarrows to be given away with one pound of tea. O'Brien Bros., Tea Dealers, 77 East Merrimack street. Tel. 693.

THE SUN LATEST

5 O'CLOCK.

ARE SEEKING TO AVERT WAR

Representatives of Six Great Powers Make Official Call.

First Visited President McKinley—Later They Went to State Department—France, England, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy Were Represented—"The Cubans Are Struggling for Absolute Independence" Says Their Representative.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The representatives of the six great powers of Europe, seeking to avert war between Spain and the United States, called on President McKinley at noon today. The governments of France, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy were represented. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was the first to arrive, followed by Ambassador Von Holleben of Germany. Within a few minutes, all the ambassadors had been ushered into the blue room and President McKinley immediately left his office and went down to meet them.

The call of the representatives on the President was quite brief and at 11.20 o'clock they went over to the state department and made an official visit. They were headed by Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador and dean of the corps. The others included the French and German ambassadors, the Austrian minister and charge d'affaires of Italy and Russia. Their entire official suite of attaches accompanied them. The call evidently was by appointment, for they were at once shown into the diplomatic room of the state department where they were joined by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day, with whom they were closeted behind closed doors.

ABSOLUTE INDEPENDENCE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Tomas Estrada Palma, delegate of the Cuban provisional government to the United States, when asked this morning if he had any comments to make regarding the statement in New York yesterday by Horatio S. Rubens, counsel for the Cuban Junta, dictated the following reply:

"All I care to say is this: That the Cubans are struggling for absolute independence. They have made tremendous sacrifices for achieving this purpose. They consider themselves already emancipated from Spanish rule; therefore they will resist all interference intended to compel them to pay a new allegiance to the sovereignty of Spain."

Asked what position he would consider it likely that the provisional government would take in view of a possible armistice, he said: "If the American government acknowledges the independence of Cuba and recognizes the actual government of the Cuban republic, I think it would not be difficult to accept on the part of the government of the republic of Cuba, an armistice, with the purpose of assuring the peace of the island."

ROTCSCHILD'S GIFT

Will Present a Cruiser to Spanish Government.

HIS WARMEST LOVE IS WITH SPAIN.

Wild Reports in the Paris Papers.

Madrid, April 7.—The Paris correspondent of the Paris Telegraph, said that he had an interview with Baron Rothschild yesterday, who is alleged to have informed him that he was purchasing a cruiser to present to Spain, that country having "his warmest love and sympathy."

The Pais also furnished its readers with further startling information last night. It was to the effect that a mob had broken loose in Washington, that the Spanish legation had been attacked and that the Spanish minister escaped by jumping through a window and that the arms of Spain were torn down.

LEWISTON STRIKE ENDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Lewiston, Me., April 7.—At twenty minutes to five o'clock Wednesday afternoon the strikers at the Androscoggin mill voted to return to work on Thursday morning. The agent made no promises and the men and women returned at the cut down wages.

The machinery was not all started, but will be by Monday. The strike has lasted eleven weeks and the loss in wages is $90,000. About twenty strikers refused to go to work and will find employment elsewhere.

POLICE COURT.

This was suburban day at court, for among the seven drunks in, two were from Dracut, one from North Acton, and one from West Billerica. All were fined.

Christian Hansen and ——— Barbarian, two Armenians, were fined $10 for disturbing the peace.

William and Simeon Lavigne, two Canadians who, it is alleged, assaulted old Julius Goldman because he belonged to the race which persecuted the Saviour, were continued until Tuesday for trial.

Instead of shovelling smoke, as all gas house men are popularly supposed to do for a living, two of them had a growl bright and early yesterday morning, when John L. Stevens, head bricklayer for the company, swat David Peters, assistant engineer, on the cheek. Peters claimed that Stevens called him a "Scotch" bad name, while Stevens retorted that Peters called him a "Yankee" bad name. Stevens was fined $25, and was placed under $100 bonds to keep the peace for six months.

Joseph Martin was in for non-support of his wife. The latter said that she and her five children had been half starved during the winter and if her husband would only give her five dollars a week, she would not only keep the family in comfort, but would save money. Martin was given a chance to do better.

Bridget Hannon, an insane woman, applied at the police station for lodging last night. She got it.

A lost boy who says his name is "George Rowe" is at the police station, awaiting "an owner."

A BIG FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Great Barrington, Mass., April 7.—A stable and store house owned by John A. Brewer were burned this morning, together with twenty wagons and a large amount of tools and feed. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is about $35,000.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The weather indications for the ensuing twenty-four hours are as follows: Fair weather tonight and Friday; westerly winds.

FLAHERTY'S CHANCE.

Martin Flaherty has received an offer for a fight with his old rival, George Dixon and he will accept the offer. Yesterday he received the following letter:

April 5, 1898.

Mr. Flaherty:—

Let me know at once if you will meet Dixon; 20 rounds for 50 per cent. with $1000 guarantee, here in New Haven, April 27. Answer by wire. (Signed)

—Al. Woods.

Martin says he is at the present time in the best possible condition and that in two weeks of hard training he will give a better account of himself than he did on either of the before-mentioned occasions. Martin's many friends in Lowell and elsewhere will wish him success in this fight.

A LOWELL BOY.

John E. Pillsbury, lieutenant-commander of the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius is a Lowell boy, being born in this city in 1848. He received his early education in Chelsea. Besides having a thorough knowledge of vessels, he is a recognized authority on tides and currents. He attained the rank of lieutenant commander in 1892, and assumed command of the Vesuvius in 1897.

WITHOUT A HOME

Sad Plight of Former Lowell Girl.

DRIVEN FROM HOME WITH HER BABY.

She Found Shelter in Towksbury.

"I walked the streets in the storm yesterday and slept in the hallway of a block last night; and the child nor I haven't tasted food since day before yesterday."

This narration may be a slight exaggeration of the actual condition of things, but the statement is word for word as Maggie Hannon told it in the police station yesterday forenoon, says the Lawrence Sun.

Marshal Murphy got word by telegraph that a woman with a child in her arms was wandering the streets and Inspector Sheehan was sent out after her and escorted her and the child to the station and it was then she made the above leading statement.

Maggie had a ticket to Tewksbury and a letter to the superintendent of the almshouse there, which were furnished by Clerk Kiley of the Board of Overseers. She should have gone Tuesday, but was so dazed with exposure and hunger that she couldn't locate the depot.

Twenty-one years ago Maggie was born at Lowell and moved here with her parents when she was eight years old. Her father disappeared soon after and her mother, crazed with grief, sought solace in the asylum at Danvers.

Maggie then went to live with a Mrs. Langdon on Elm street, and worked in the Pacific mill. When she was 19 Maggie met Joseph Kanesn who then worked at the Franklin House and her troubles began.

She said the fellow promised to marry her and blinded by his protestations of love and promises she succumbed to the prompting of human instincts.

After the child was born Maggie went back to work in the mill, but her past followed her there and the overseer discharged her under the pretext of neglecting her work.

With money gone, without food or prospects, the landlady put her out on the street Tuesday morning and Maggie, with her child in her arms, walked the streets until overcome by sheer exhaustion and hunger, she crept into the hallway and sought the freedom of unconsciousness.

It is believed by some that the insane woman named Bridget Hannon who turned up in the police station last night is the mother of the unfortunate girl. If so another co-incident is noted.

SUPPER TO MR. BATEMAN.

An enjoyable time was held by the members of Highland lodge, I.O.O.F., last evening. The lodge, after the regular business gave a complimentary supper to Past Grand John F. Bateman, who is one of the leaders of the party of 16 or more, including George H. Manning, soon to leave for the Klondike. The committee in charge consisted of Secretary Howard C. Moore, Past Grands John W. Jones, E. P. Sanborn, and Frank C. Nichols.

After the supper, which was served by Littlefield, Secretary Moore called to order and introduced Past Grand Roland Russell, now of Manchester, N. H., as master of ceremonies. He paid a feeling tribute to Past Grand Bateman.

Other tributes of honor were paid by Worthy Grand Master E. W. Chadbourne, Noble Grand Ryan, Past Grands Jones, A. L. Russell, Clark, O. D. Wilder, E. P. Sanborn, Foster, and O. E. Warren, Secretary Moore, and Ralph B. Lyman.

DEATHS.

BUTLER—Thomas F. Butler, aged 33 years, died last evening at his home, 5 Howard Place, off Appleton street. He leaves a wife and four children. He was a moulder by trade and was a past chief ranger of Court Middlesex, F. of A. Funeral tomorrow afternoon.

The many friends of Officer John B. Crowley will be pained to hear that he is quite ill at his home on Walker street being threatened with pneumonia.

Dunstable Farms. For sale or to let. Easy terms. Apply soon to Samuel M. Hutchins, Westford, Mass.

Bernard J. Wefers will try to break the 200-yard record at New Jersey Memorial Day.

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RICHARD J. FLYNN, Who is Organizing a Volunteer Company of the Sons of Veterans.

Richard J. Flynn, who is organizing the young volunteers, is the son of Michael Flynn, who served in the 16th Mass. Reg't, Co. G., and for one year and nine months in Battery F, Artillery. Mr. Flynn desires to get a regiment of sons of veterans together, to go to the front if necessary. At the last meeting of the volunteers, Mr. Gilman, commander of Camp Farragut, S. of V., was chosen temporary chairman, and Lieut. Leonard of Camp Farragut, temporary secretary. At the meeting tomorrow night, it is hoped that all sons of veterans will be present. There are 1600 sons of veterans in this city, and Mr. Flynn thinks he should be able to get at least 1500 of them into his regiment.

MATRIMONIAL.

Godin W. Gardner, son of Theodore F. Gardner, and Miss Lizzie Hokes were united in marriage last evening by Rev. Smith T. Ford.

MAYNARD—NORRIS.

At the Paige Street Free Baptist church parsonage, last evening, Mr. Elmer E. Maynard and Miss Eliza L. Norris were united in marriage by Rev. A. E. Wilson. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard wish them much happiness and prosperity.

Canton Pawtucket, Patriarchs Militant, entertained about 50 Lawrence members of Canton Agawam at their hall in this city last night.

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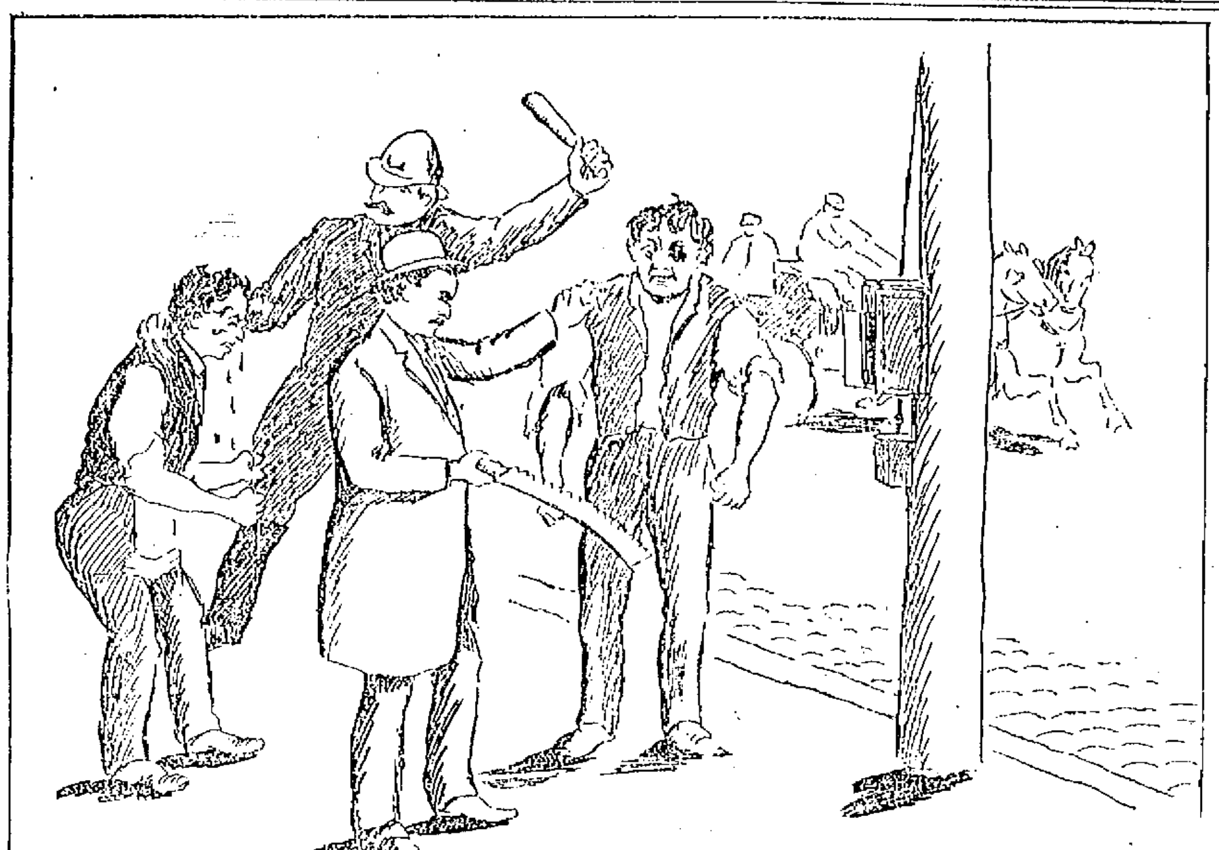

THE MELEE ON MARKET STREET THIS MORNING.

TO OPEN THE MILL GATES

The Treasurers of the New Bedford Mills so Decide.

They are Urged to do so by Priests Whose People are Starving—Employers Say They are Not Anxious to Start Business.

New Bedford, Mass., April 7.—Despite the action of the union of weavers in declaring for a continuance of the strike, the treasurers of the nine cloth mills now on strike, at a meeting last night, unanimously agreed to open the gates Monday morning to such operatives as care to return to work. It is generally believed that a majority of the strikers will go in.

Several days ago two French-Canadian priests waited on the mill men and represented that the suffering among the strikers was pitiable, and that the strikers were not as enthusiastic as they appeared. They were certain that if an opportunity were given, many would seize the chance to go back. These priests urged the manufacturers to make the attempt, and promised to do all they could to persuade the help to bring an end to the suffering.

William W. Crapo, president of the Wamsutta mills, said: "If the help do not care to return to work, or if they make any marked opposition to the return by their brethren, we will again close the gates. We are not anxious ourselves to resume work, but feel that the popular opinion is against a further continuance of the disastrous idleness."

MILL MEN MEMORIALIZE.

Boston, April 7.—A memorial of T. F. Coolidge and others relative to the condition and prospects of the cotton manufacturing industry in Massachusetts was presented in the house yesterday. The memorial is signed by Mr. Coolidge, A. G. Pierce, Charles L. Lovering, Eliot C. Clarke, C. A. Coleman, Eben S. Draper, Harcourt Amory, Thomas E. Brayton, Howard Stockton, Augustus Lowell, George F. Fabyan, A. S. Covel, A. N. Goodale and H. N. Slater, who say that the present conditions and prospects in the cotton industry in this state are sufficiently grave to call for an exhaustive study of the subject. After a review of the situation the memorial concludes:

"If cotton manufacturing in the state becomes unprofitable, one of two things must happen—wages will be reduced, or the business will be abandoned, as has been the case in the iron and glass industries. Either of these consequences would be a great misfortune, which the legislature should, if possible, prevent in the only way in its power: First, by raising the hours of labor at least to the point where they are in every other New England state; and, secondly, by reducing the taxation on manufacturing plants, which is now much in excess of that in high taxed England and in the southern states. The effective way, in our judgment, would be to take off all taxes on machinery, without increasing those on the real estate used for manufacturing purposes.

"The present situation may present itself to some persons as having no deeper significance than a contest between capital and labor, the outcome of which is to be a triumph of one over the other. If this were the truth, there would be no occasion for this communication, and the legislature would have no call to intervene. It is because the difficulty is fundamental and limited to no class of industries in the state that the responsibility in the premises rests upon the representatives of all the people."

TWO-THIRDS ARE READY.

Saco, Me., April 7.—The indications point to a speedy settlement of the three months' strike in the York mill. The backbone of the strike seems to be broken, and it is believed by the business men and the majority of the strikers that if Agent Page consents to open the gates next Monday the mill can be started in every department. Mr. Page is expected home the last of the week, and a committee will then wait upon him and show him a list of names of operatives who have pledged themselves to return under the cut-down. Up to this morning about 1000 out of 1500 had signed the petition, and the leaders of the movement believe that the managers will agree to make another attempt to start the factory when they learn that such a large number are in favor of returning.

Chairman Larabee, who has taken a prominent part in the strike since its inauguration, is opposed to returning under a cut-down. He predicts that the attempt to end the strike will result in a failure and that not as many will go in as on a week ago Monday. He charges the merchants with having done more to encourage the labor war than any one else, and declares that after making great promises of support they had, after a few weeks, gone back on the textile workers, now doing everything in their power to effect a settlement, and charging himself and a few others with having incited the strike.

PILGRIM FATHERS.

Boston, April 7.—All the supreme officers attended the annual session yesterday of the United Order of Pilgrim Fathers. The supreme governor reported 18 new colonies organized in the year and 2550 members initiated. The running expenses of the order have been 77 cents per member, against 83 cents last year.

The secretary's report gave the total membership Dec. 31 as 23,659. The treasurer reported that he had received for the benefit fund $359,197.51 and paid out during 1897 $352,600. There is a balance of over $109,000 in the general fund. The following officers were elected: Governor, J. S. Taft, Keene, N. H.; lieutenant governor, H. S. Treadwell, South Boston; secretary, J. E. Shepard, Lawrence; treasurer, A. V. Bugbee, Lawrence; trustees, John L. Bates and Edward Lincoln of Boston; Frank E. Sleeper of Sebattus, Me.; William I. Thompson of Lawrence, and Jesse H. Harriman of Haverhill.

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WAR DECLARED.

A SAW USED AS A WEAPON ON MARKET STREET.

Early this morning on Market street near Dummer, there was a scene of great excitement. John Klekaboeka, a barber carrying on business in one of the stores in that neighborhood had some kind of a difference with one of the employes and in shorter notice than it would take to tell it, the barber opened war with an ugly weapon in the form of a buck saw blade. Officer Buchanan and a couple of other officers came to the scene, but not until one of the men had been assaulted pretty severely. His face was all cut and besmeared with blood and he presented a ghastly appearance in front of the police signal box awaiting the arrival of the hurry-up wagon, when noble Dick Flynn of the Sons of Veterans fame, came to the scene, and as he wears the mantle of authority which entitles him to the privileges of a constable, he exercised that privilege and made a search of the building, which resulted in his bringing to light a wicked looking weapon in the shape of a buck saw the blade of which was besmeared with blood. Dick held firmly to the handle, probably thinking he would lead a regiment of a thousand strong of the Sons of Veterans to Cuba. In a short time there were over a hundred people assembled about the premises and things looked decidedly warlike. Gallant Dick went to the station, also, so that he might explain intelligently to the keeper the state of affairs. The warriors were landed safely at the police station.

Later it was learned that the trouble arose over the wife of the proprietor of the shop, who washes the towels used in the barber shop.

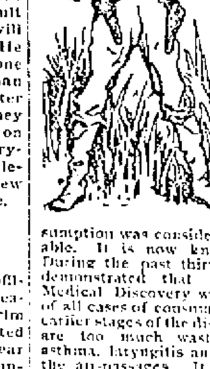
PEOPLE'S CLUB.

The attendance at the Men's branch continues very large. During March there were 4310 visitors to the Men's branch reading room, a nightly average of 161, and 570 books were taken out. The amusement room reported 2926 visitors, an average of 108. In the Women's branch there were 637 visitors, an average of 20. The pupils in the various classes numbered 187.

At the last meeting of the board of government appropriate action was taken on the death of Mrs. David Gove, for many years a director of the club.

TOMORROW'S SUN

There will be an excellent theatrical page in tomorrow's Sun, with stories of Mme. Melba, Mme. Calve, and other talent from over the sea. Arthur Crispin will write of the stage in Gotham.



A desperate looking man, with two drawn revolvers, is not a pleasant person to meet at a lonely cross-road. Most men will go a long way out of their road to avoid such an encounter. The same men will recklessly neglect their health and court death in the guise of consumption or some other equally fatal disease. One-sixth of all the deaths each year are due to this most fatal of maladies.

Until very recent years, consumption was considered absolutely incurable. It is now known to be curable. During the past thirty years it has been demonstrated that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption, if taken in the earlier stages of the disease before the lungs are too much wasted, also bronchitis, asthma, laryngitis and all diseases of all the air-passages. It acts directly on the lungs, driving out all impurities and disease germs. It soothes the cough, facilitates expectoration, thus thoroughly clearing the lungs. It purifies and enriches the blood and tears down, carries off and excretes old, inert, half dead tissues, replacing them with the new, firm, muscular tissues of health. It is the great appetite sharpener, blood-maker, flesh-builder, nerve-tonic and restorative. Thousands who had been given up to die have been restored to complete, robust health by this marvelous medicine. Do not buy from unscrupulous dealers who try to force upon you something beside what you ask for. There is nothing to take the place of it, or, which is "just as good" as "Golden Medical Discovery."

"I had the grip, which left me feeling miserable—no strength and a cough," writes Mrs. C. Maynard, of East Lyme, New London Co., Conn. "As some of my family died with consumption, I was frightened. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. After taking the second bottle I felt much better, and am now well."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

GIFT TO PASTOR

Rev. S. T. Ford Received a Check for $100

FROM BUSINESS MEN OF HIS PARISH.

Meeting of the First Baptist Society.

The First Baptist church society held its meeting last night.

Larkin T. Trull was chosen moderator, and Harry L. Tibbetts clerk for the ensuing year. The report of the treasurer, C. H. Clegston, showed total receipts during the year of $5052.44. All bills are paid and there is a balance on hand of $20.25. The "Penny-a-day" collections amounted to $643.

Officers were elected as follows: Treasurer and collector, Charles H. Clegston; assessors, Henry C. Fuller, Fred J. Flemings, Edward W. Trull, music committee, F. J. Flemings, G. H. Taylor, L. T. Trull; auditors, Warren L. Floyd and A. G. Walsh.

Appropriations were made as follows: Pastor's salary, $2500 and one month's vacation; for music, $1100; for heating, lighting and care of house, a sufficient sum.

The matter of changing or enlarging the house of worship was discussed and some plans were informally presented. It was voted to refer the matter to a special committee of seven as follows: Larkin T. Trull, H. C. Fuller, Rev. S. T. Ford, H. L. Tibbetts, F. A. Bowen, M. Bancroft, A. F. Swanton.

H. C. Fuller, chairman of the board of assessors, presented the pastor, Rev. S. T. Ford, with a purse of $100, in behalf of the business men of the parish.

Rev. Mr. Ford returned thanks for the gift.

Mr. Ford will attend the World's Sunday school convention that is held in London in July. He will sail some time in June and will be away five Sundays.

PERSONAL.

Miss Agnes Markham, sister of Councilman Markham, is confined to St. John's hospital by illness.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of patrons of the Old Ladies' Home will meet at the Home Thursday, April 7, at 3 p. m.

Mr. Charles E. Carter was elected a director of the New England Pharmacal company at its second annual meeting in Boston yesterday. The company, which manufactures pharmacal goods, has had a prosperous year.

Fred W. Stickney will spend the next ten days in Washington.

Mrs. August Feis and Miss Anna Feis are in New York during the Easter holidays.

Miss Bryden of Wellesley College is spending her vacation with Mrs. S. F. Whipple, of Berkley avenue.

BANK DIVIDENDS.

Following are the dividends to be paid by the national banks in Lowell:

Bank	Cap'l	Rate.	Am't of Div'd
Appleton	$260,000	2½	$ 7,500
First	250,000	4	10,000
Merchants	400,000	3	12,000
Old Lowell	200,000	2½	5,000
Prescott	300,000	3	9,000
Railroad	400,000	3	12,000
Wamesit	250,000	3	7,500
Traders	200,000	2½	5,000
Total	$2,360,000		$68,000

The seventh annual concert and ball of the Mathew Temperance Institute will be held at Associate Hall, Easter Monday, April 11, 1898. Tickets, $1.00.

John Reardon of Boston is visiting at the home of his brother in Clare street.

Fine job printing done at this office.

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Nerve tonic—Blood Maker. Send for descriptive pamphlet. Sold by druggists everywhere. 50 cents per box—six for $2.50. DR. WILLIAMS' MED. CO., Schenectady, N. Y.

HOW OUR TRUANTS FARE

The New Building at the North Chelmsford Truant School.

Manual Training an Important Branch in This Model Institution—Supt. Warren Can Reform His Pupils and Send Them Home Happy.

"'Tis education forms the common mind;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined."

Among the rare legacy of beautiful and well-turned couplets bequeathed to posterity by that master of the artificial in poetry, Alexander Pope, no portion of that rich heritage has done more to keep alive the memory of his genius than that quoted above, which when sages yet unheard of shall have passed away, will still be the axiom of frequent quotation.

As the child is reared, so shall the man be, the effect ever reflecting the cause and hence the value of education of any nature.

If it is important to educate the ordinary or general run of children, blessed with the influences of good homes and of fortunate parentage, how much more important is it to educate the large and, in these erratic times, the ever-increasing class of waifs who for whatever cause, find themselves, or are found by others, while yet in their tender years, in sad need of the restraining influences.

These influences are necessary and as one of them, the Middlesex Truant school, which but a few days ago, delighted the legislative committee on education by its facilities for successfully furthering its purpose, is an institution of which Middlesex County should be justly proud. It is the one great public county work that is worth all its expenditures and almost passing strange, its buildings, or one of them, at least, was erected within its appropriation.

But the truant school as a general institution is not the purport of this article, for that has been gone into in the local press before. I merely intend to record a belated visit to the picturesque institution upon North Chelmsford's sentinel hill with particular reference to the new "Cottage building," or addition to the institution but recently opened a cut of which, from the drawing of Stickney & Austin, Lowell's celebrated architects appears elsewhere.

The Truant school was reached last evening just as a lingering winter night was about to shiver itself over the much-chilled landscape. The buildings and their surroundings, even in this season of the year, impress one with their attractiveness, promising a wealth of beauty when Spring shall have been permitted to brighten the fair country about.

The main building is situated on the summit of a hill and the industrial building is to the southeast, slightly in the rear.

The new building, which is called the Cottage building, is situated directly east of the main building at the base of the hill and only 40 feet from the Lowell line. It fronts toward Middlesex street and is approached by spacious, though as yet undeveloped walks. It is a brick structure of colonial style, three and one-half stories high in the center and with two large wings on the sides, these two and one-half stories in height. It cost $25,000 and appears to be worth the money expended upon it.

Passing through the spacious entrance, the visitor finds himself in a large old-fashioned hall with a wide staircase leading to the floor above. Upon the left of the entrance is a cosy reception room for the accommodation of visitors to the inmates, while on the right is a neat little library. Opening from the library is a large, sunny, finely ventilated and lighted school room, with accommodation for 60 pupils. It will be utilized as a class room for the primary grades.

In the center of the building, downstairs, running the width of the building is another and a larger hall, from which the school room opens on the right and the dining room is on the left. This dining room is undoubtedly a revelation to many a poor youngster who contemplates it for the first time, for it is attractive and a model of neatness. As I entered the room with Supt. Warren, whom I forgot to mention kindly volunteered his services as guide, two of the boys were placing the evening meal on the table, preparatory to that great disappearance act which even bad boys must perform three times a day.

No haughty millionaire, in all his travels, ever passed a tip to more careful or neater waiters than these two boys.

Emerging through a door in the dining room, I found myself in an open pantry which connected with a "shining" kitchen.

Here I received a silent shock, for as I looked in I noticed a boy doing some laborius work with a can of most fragrant tea. Another boy went to his assistance whereupon the first youngster responded with, "Thank you, sir." Looking at this young Chesterfield, who did my eyes behold but the familiar face of a little rascal whom I last saw in police court, then a most disreputable specimen of juvenile humanity,—dirty, unkempt, indifferent, vulgar, and tougher than William B. D. What a metamorphose! From apparently an incorrigible into a slick young gentleman, and while yet young enough to retain the transformation!

The floors on this floor and in fact throughout the building are of birch, while the finish is of North Carolina pine. In the left wing on the second floor is an airy dormitory, with 29 comfortable iron beds. This room is lighted by incandescent lights, as are the other rooms, the control of the light being in the matron's room, which opens into it. In the opposite wing is a large family sitting room where the boys in the evening, before retiring, may enjoy the same pleasures which are found in all well regulated families. Here they are in company with their teachers and are made to forget that they are the wards of the county by the kind and homelikee attention given them.

In the rear on the second floor, opening from the dormitory, is a large clothes room and closets. On the third floor is another dormitory of 28 beds, also in charge of a teacher.

Going into the basement, one finds a large boiler room, a well appointed wash room, each boy having his own towel, a mammoth bath room with those indispensable contrivances of the boys' baths, the shower, a spacious playroom and another clothes-room, wherein the boys, upon entering the house after their day's schooling, change their heavy shoes for house slippers.

The building seems thoroughly well appointed and just the proper kind of home for wayward boys. It has been occupied but a week and has about 50 inmates, the main building having a similar number. The boys assist in the care of the houses, the washing, laundry, cooking, etc., under competent and solicitous teachers, besides attending school, an important feature of which is the manual training school department.

This department occupies a large room on the second floor of the second or industrial building, whither I went with the superintendent. Here are 15 thoroughly equipped work benches, where classes of 15 boys devote two hours a day to the great educational feature which is fast becoming justly popular. The teacher is Miss Vasey, a graduate of Larson's celebrated school. Along the walls are a number of surprisingly fine specimens of the work done, the useful vieing with the ornamental in the artisticness of its execution. Speaking with me on the subject of manual training, Supt. Warren said: "The department of manual training is the great adjunct of an institution of this character. Nothing equals it in developing a dull boy. It trains his eye, hand, and mind, and moreover gives him that confidence in himself which forms the great incentive for mental improvement. The boy who dislikes his studies in the schoolroom, when placed in a manual training school invariably overcomes his dislike of text books in a very short time and exercises a thirst for knowledge, for when he finds that he can actually make something, he is inspired with confidence in himself, and thenceforth begins to aim higher. Everything made by the boys is made from drawings and thus they are benefitted by a knowledge of free-hand drawing. Then it leads to seek a greater knowledge of mathematics for as their drawings compel them to make numerous measurements, they are constantly given practical illustrations of mathematical problems, particularly in the fractional lines and they then become interested in that study. We intend soon to introduce wood-carving into this department and to teach that valuable trade.

STRIKERS' FUND.

Previously acknowledged	$1611.76
Forwarded to New Bedford	$1600.00
Balance	$11.76
F. M., Charles Street	50
Ways and Means Committee:	
W. P.	.25
Centralville	.25
A Woman	.25
Joseph Ashton	.50
James Donnelly	1.00
Total	$17.51

BOWLING NEWS.

Teams Two and Three rolled a tie game at the Highland club alleys last night and another box for each was rolled resulting in the defeat of Team Three, 76 to 69. The score:

Team Two—Runels, 477; Galer, 493; Sturtevant, 419; Kilgore, 360; Cheney, 450; totals, 2229.

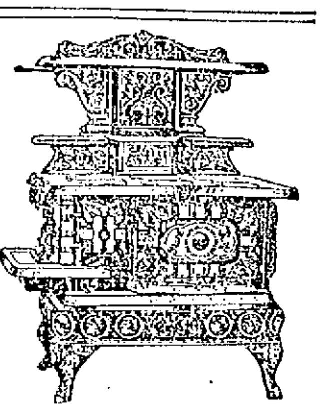
Team Three—Wellman, 472; Ward, 437; Tryder, 420; Hanson, 420; Pepin, 450; totals, 2229.

FINGERS MANGLED.

John Sweeney, residing on Robeson street, got one of his fingers caught in a napping machine at the Hamilton mills yesterday and amputation may be necessary.

CHURCH CONTRACT AWARDED.

At the adjourned meeting of the Pawtucket church parish last night the contract for the building of the new church was awarded to Thomas H Connell of this city for $20,711



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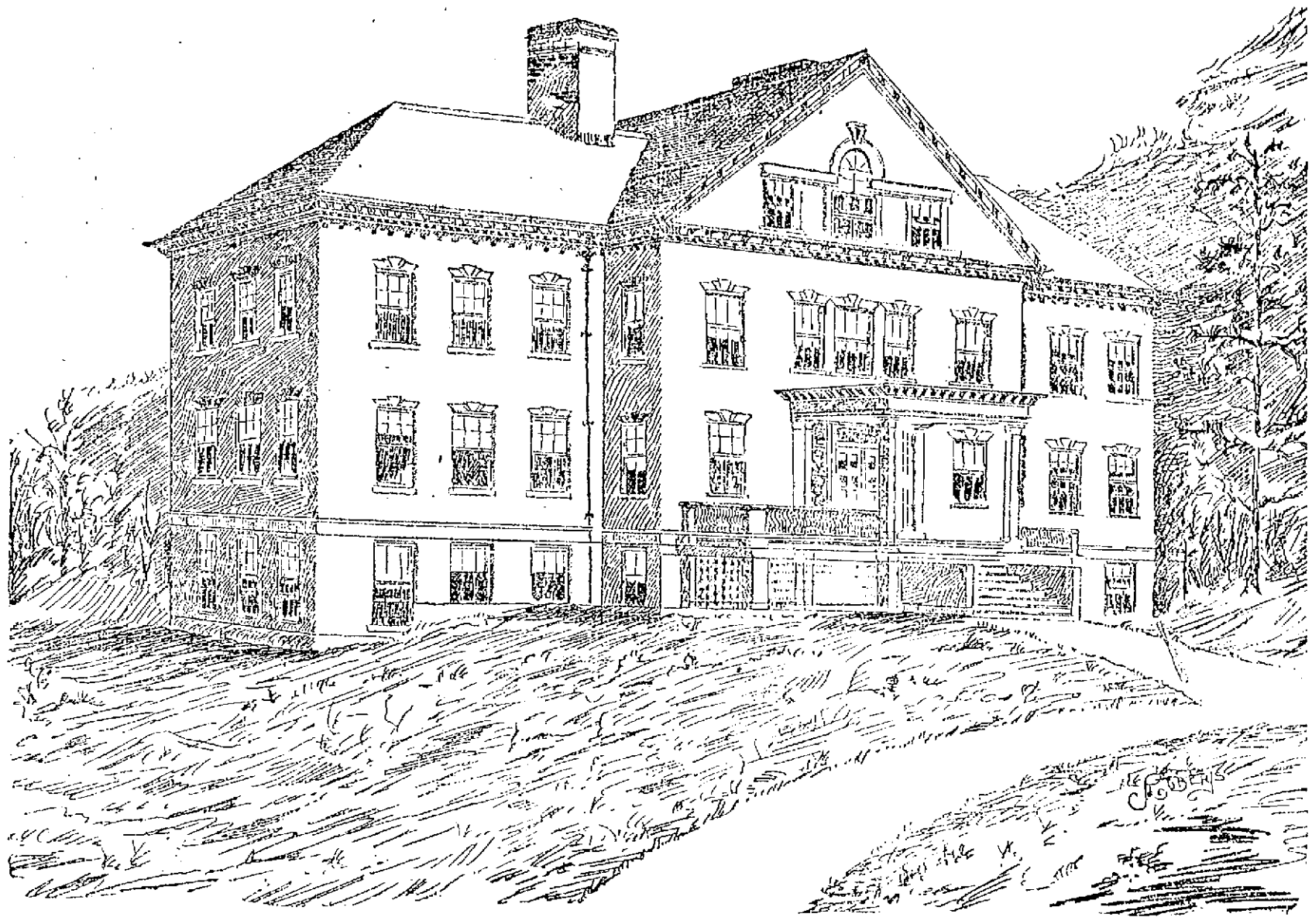

THE NEW MANUAL COTTAGE AT THE NORTH CHELMSFORD TRUANT SCHOOL.—(See Page 2.)

THE SUN EXTRA!

5 O'CLOCK.

SPAIN IS NOW UNDECIDED

Wavering Between War and Peace but Strengthening Her Fleet.

Telegram From Rome Considered at Special Session of Cabinet—Americans Safe at Havana—Affairs Quiet at Washington.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—Great disappointment is experienced at the United States legation at the hitch, now pronounced to be serious, which seems to have occurred last night. The Spanish cabinet met at five o'clock and was in session for several hours, but the meeting ended without an announcement that the Cuban armistice proclamation would be issued today. The Austrian ambassador, Count Dubsky, had another conference with the United States Minister Woodford last night.

It is still hoped here that President McKinley's message to Congress has been postponed that the original programme will be carried out.

FALL IN STOCKS.

Barcelona, April 7.—Spanish fours, which closed at 67.90 were quoted today at 68.30.

SUPPLIES FOR WAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Key West, Fla., April .—The Mallory Line steamer Comal arrived here this morning from New York with large quantities of provisions and ammunition for the government.

CABINET MYSTERIES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7, 1.73 a. m.—There appears to be much mystery connected with last night's events. It seems that after the regular cabinet meeting had adjourned and Premier Sagasta had returned home, the Papal Nuncio, Mgr. Nava, in company with the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gullon, arrived with a communication from Rome. This was considered of such importance that the other ministers were summoned and remained in consultation until 1.30 a.m. It is said the result to their deliberations was telegraphed to Rome, from which it was cabled to the United States.

AMERICANS SAFE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—A cablegram from Consul General Lee, received this morning, announces that 200 Americans have taken their departure from the island and that all is quiet in Havana. After a conference with the President, Representative Grosvenor stated today that there would be no change of any importance, at least in the message intended for submission yesterday unless there is a change of facts, which was not at all likely.

CABINET MEETING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—The Cabinet ministers at their meeting yesterday evening, decided to appoint a committee to organize and superintend the national subscription to increase the strength of the fleet. A semi-official note issued after adjournment of the affair, says: "We considered every aspect of the situation, on the information of the foreign and colonial ministers and especially in the light of the representative of the ministers of war and marine. The outcome of the deliberations was the adhesion of the government to all its previous decisions without modification and resolutions to that effect were adopted.

During the sitting the foreign minister made several visits to the palace.

HAWAIIAN CALAMITY.

A VOLCANO HAS BROKEN OUT, TERRIFYING NATIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., April 7.—Great excitement prevails in the Hawaiian islands, according to passengers who arrived on the steamer Alameda. Two weeks ago the lava in Mauna Loa, from the observations taken at the signal station on the mountain depth 100 feet, and shortly afterward smoke was seen issuing from the crater sometimes in great volume and then again in short jets. The natives were terribly excited over the occurrence and prophesied when the Alameda left that in twelve days there would be a great eruption. For two weeks earthquakes had prevailed, terrifying the people.

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SPANISH TROOPS

Surprised and Massacred in the Philippines

HARD FIGHTING BETWEEN THE SPANIARDS AND REBELS.

Insurgents Suffer a Heavy Loss.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Vancouver, B. C. April 7.—From the latest reports from Hongkong. It is learned there have been very exciting times in the Phillipines, the Spanish troops being surprised and massacred. The Bolina staff of the eastern extension telegraph were recently besieged for five days on account of Spanish soldiers taking refuge there. From a Spanish gunboat marines were landed and the station was opened after hard fighting between the detachment and the rebels. Two days afterward the British cruiser Edgar arrived. At the same time General Monet and one thousand men arrived overland. General Monet said he had five engagements between Bolina and Lingayen. The insurgents suffered heavy loss and the Spanish losses were one lieutenant and one soldier. The garrison and the priests of the neighboring village had been killed, only six soldiers managing to escape.

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A UNIQUE SCOOP

By the Enterprise of the Daily News.

HOW FAKE JOURNALISM DECEIVES THE PUBLIC.

The Sun Alone Gives the Latest News.

It is about time The Sun should do something to show up the fake journalism by which the Lowell public is deceived at the present day. The instances of such imposition are too numerous to be mentioned seriatim. It would take a larger paper than The Sun to recount them all. Indeed, these articles have been so common of late that they are largely accepted by the unsuspecting as the genuine and reliable article. Let me first take the examples of a single day in a single paper, the Lowell Daily News.

On an electric car yesterday afternoon, I saw a man reading the Lowell News and after he had greedily devoured the "war news" therein, he turned to a friend and said: "Well, I see the President has sent in his message today asking for armed intervention in Cuba."

"Oh, no, he hasn't," replied the other.

"Why, certainly he has. Here is a special despatch in the News which says so," rejoined the News reader, as he held up the paper and pointed to the alleged "special."

The gentleman addressed took the News, and sure enough, read the following on the front page, under the head "LATEST."

CUBAN INTERVENTION

President's Message Recommends That Only.

(Special to The News.)

Washington, April 6.—The President's message is now being read in congress.

The scene was a repetition of the day the report of the board of inquiry was submitted. In both houses the galleries are crowded and the corridors thronged with a jostling mass of excited people.

The President does not recognize Cuban independence, but only recommends intervention.

(The text of the message will be found in later editions of The News.)

But this was not all. On the fifth page of the same paper was a four-column picture of the House of Representatives in session and underneath was the line indicating what the scene represented—"THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE IN THE HOUSE." Long before this edition of the News was put on the street, The Sun had bulletined the fact that the President's message would not be given to congress and in the first edition of The Sun, it was stated that the message was promised for 1.30 or 2 p. m., and that it might be postponed to Thursday. This was all that could be reported at 1 o'clock. It covered the situation exactly, but after a conference between the President and the leaders in congress, the final decision that it would not be submitted till Monday was given out. This was bulletined by The Sun and immediately after, the News got out another edition with the statement copied from The Sun bulletin.

On the editorial page of the News of yesterday we read the following legend:

THE NEWS HAS ALL THE FACILITIES FOR GETTING THE LATEST NEWS, WAR OR PEACE, BY TELEGRAPH.

The News seems to have excellent facilities for "Specials," manufactured in the office, or in vulgar parlance "Faked," to be passed off for genuine despatches.

The Sun has the full telegraphic service of the Associated Press for the afternoon and has it exclusively, so that no paper in this city except The Sun can obtain the text of the message if given to congress during the day.

The Sun has its telegraphic operators at work during the entire day in its own office on a special loop from the leased wire from the Associated Press and is fully covered on all happenings of importance in every part of the civilized world. In its three daily editions is to be found the best service of news, both local and telegraphic that can be found in any paper in the United States.

Those who buy Boston or New York papers in hopes of getting the latest news of the world, or of the relations between Spain and the United States are no better off than if they bought the Lowell News. They simply throw their money away. When you see anybody buying the News, the New York or Boston papers in the afternoon to find the latest telegraphic news, you can make up your mind at once that that person is ignorant of the distance those papers are behind the time. The New York papers as a rule, are from twenty to twenty-four hours behind The Sun. None of the afternoon papers, except The Sun has anything but the "pony" service of the Associated Press, which is always late and is very limited. The Sun has more real live news on its bulletins than you can find in all the afternoon Lowell papers put together.

The New York Journal, yesterday's edition, that was printed at 11 o'clock on the previous night, of course, said that the President's message would be given to Congress at 1 p. m. yesterday.

The night edition of that paper which reaches Lowell about 6 o'clock also announced that the message would be read and proceeded to give the gist of the document, as if the Journal had been privileged to read the message before it was given to the public. The Journal, no doubt, got its information from the same source from which the News obtained its "Special."

The New York World, as usual, was a little behind the Journal and in this case was so much more fortunate, but it also announced that the President's message would be read.

The News can be relied upon to give a full account of any warlike move at the Dracut Navy yard but for anything further away than Dracut or Frogtown, you will have to read The Sun if you want the latest news.

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SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK.

A CLEVER TRICK

By Which Two Lowell Crooks Get Money

FROM J. W. CONNOR'S STORE IN NASHUA.

One of Them Arrested in Lowell.

James Gunley, who was arrested in this city, was taken to Nashua yesterday. The Nashua Telegraph has the following account of the robbery in which it is alleged he was concerned:

"A bold robbery took place in the store of the Nashua Boot and Shoe company at 8.10 Monday evening.

"The robbers worked the scheme in this way. Two men entered the store while a third kept watch on the outside. While one man engaged the attention of Manager J. W. Connor, who was alone in the store at the time, the second opened the cash drawer, grabbed some $25 in bills which were in the drawer and the two quietly left the store. The robber did not attempt to take the silver which was in the drawer doubtless because he was afraid of making a noise in gathering this up and perhaps he thought there was not sufficient time to secure it. Mr. Connor did not have his suspicions aroused until he went to take his money out of the drawer at closing time and found that he had been robbed.

The matter was then reported to the police but the men had disappeared. There is a bell on the cash drawer but the man must have had a pretty good idea of the combination which allows the drawer to open without ringing the bell, for he made no noise and did the job so quickly that it proves he must be an adept at such tricks.

That the men had planned earlier in the day to do the job is very evident, for they visited the store in the afternoon. While one tried to sell a gold medal to the clerk the other two were sizing up the store and getting the lay of the place preparatory to making a raid on the cash drawer. The man did not sell the medal to the clerk, and left the store after a little time. The description of the men given by the clerk tallies with that of Mr. Connors. The clerk had stepped out on an errand when the man came in and stole the money in the evening, and Mrs. Connors had just gone home and thus left the store with only Mr. Connor present giving a clear field to the man who rifled the cash drawer while his companion kept Mr. Connor busy. It was an old trick, but worked in this case to perfection.

When the men left the store, the clerk was just returning and he saw them quietly proceeding up the street, but he had no occasion to pay particular attention to them.

Earlier in the evening the men visited the shop of J. H. Kelley on Factory street. They had a couple of gold medals which they tried to pawn. They were the same medals that they attempted to sell to the clerk at the Nashua Boot & Shoe store. Mr. Kelley would not give the men the price they demanded for the medals and they grew abusive. He ordered them out of his place and had some little scuffle at the door with one of the men. He recognized two of the men as Lowell crooks and told the men that he knew them. The name of one of the men is Moranigan and the name of the second Mr. Kelley has forgotten, while the third was a stranger to him. He states that they are dangerous thieves and that they have a bad record in Lowell, which two of them claim as their home. He gave a description to the police and all the information in regard to the men that he knew. The Lowell officers were notified to be on the lookout for the men and this morning sent word to the police here that they had captured a man that answers to the description of one of the trio.

Deputy Marshal Wheeler, Inspector Flood and Mr. Connor went to Lowell this morning to investigate the matter and see if Mr. Connor could identify the man. If one has been captured, there is good reason to believe the other two will be caught also.

"So far as can be learned the men did not visit any other stores in town and did not steal anything but the money at the one store.

"The officers found that the Lowell police had captured one of the men and Mr. Connor identified him. He was brought to this city and will be tried tomorrow morning.

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SPINNERS' MEET

Action Taken at the Boston Convention.

MR. DELEHANTY GETS RING SPINNERS ADMITTED.

Important Movement by the United Bodies.

At the semi-annual convention of the National Mule Spinners' association at 721 Washington street, yesterday, it was voted to admit the ring frame spinners. The situation at New Bedford was taken up and the treasurer reported a large sum of money on hand. It was voted that the spinners in that city should continue the strike.

The secretary was instructed to investigate the Taftville strike, in which 600 people are involved, and it was resolved to raise funds for the strikers of Androscoggin, Me.

The delegate representing the spinners of Lawrence stated that wages in the Atlantic mills of that city had been reduced until they had became lower than the wages of spinners in any other New England textile center. Secretary Ross was appointed to investigate the complaint.

Reports were received from various districts on the opening day of the convention and the general tone indicated that in most cases where there had been a cut-down, the average cut had been from 7 to 10 per cent. Holyoke's delegates reported that the cut in their district had been small. Fall River reported that it had been 11½ per cent. Taunton reported no reduction. Waltham reported a cut of 4 per cent, Biddeford, 10 per cent., Brunswick, 11½ per cent., and Lewiston about 10. Dover and Somersworth delegates reported no cut.

Manchester had been cut about 10 per cent., and the delegate from that district furnished the surprising news that seven pairs of new mules were recently put in for the spinning of hosiery yarn. The surprise in this connection is wholly due to the fact that the impression has prevailed that the tendency has been to decrease rather than increase the number of mules for the spinning of hosiery yarn. It was said that about 40 of these mules were to be put in at Manchester.

Rhode Island delegates reported a 10 per cent. cut in the Slater's mills, and 8 per cent at Manville. At Taftville there had been a cut of 10 per cent. and some of the operatives had struck.

Th delegate from Lowell brought up the question of the advisability of changing the law of the organization so as to admit the ring spinners. This latter class comprises boys and girls who run certain machinery in opposition to the mule machines operated by men. The proposition was very ably supported by the Lowell and Fall River delegates

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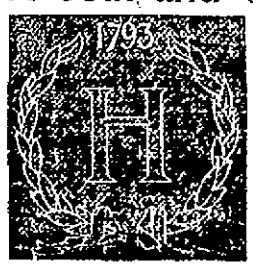

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HATS.

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In the estimation of the people of this country, President McKinley has dwindled down to a mere exclamation point.

If a war should break out, the newspaper men, we presume, as usual, would demand a front place. Brother Hearst, of course, would be the standard bearer in war as in peace.

Mr. Bryan says that humanity demands the intervention of the United States in Cuban affairs. If Bryan were president his first message would have settled the whole trouble.

President McKinley seems inclined to believe that the insurgent government in Cuba is intangible and difficult to locate. The insurgent government is visionary, to be sure, but for that matter the government of the island by Spain is very little better. If the President fails to recognize the insurgent government, he cannot fail to condemn the Spanish regime as it has been exemplified in Cuba for the past three years.

The strikers at New Bedford after a long and trying struggle are reported to be about to close the contest and go back to work. The strike may end in defeat, to be sure, but it has taught the mill owners a lesson they will not soon forget. It has given a salutary lesson not only to the manufacturers of New Bedford, but to those of Lowell, Lawrence, and the other mill cities of New England. The strikers have suffered much in the cause of honest labor and to secure a fair day's pay, and although they go back to work under the cut-down, their struggle will eventually be crowned with success.

Somebody has said that the small dog is considerably troubled in keeping the moon and the earth in their respective positions, and in a similar manner it might be said that the Boston Herald has a great deal of trouble in keeping congress in check. The Herald is for peace at any price. It is even opposed to the building of war vessels. It would probably be in favor of hiring a European army to do our fighting, as it seems to believe that there is neither statesmanship nor valor on this side of the Atlantic. The best thing the Herald could do would be to move over to London where it could see its cherished ideals in operation on all sides.

A writer in a magazine says that inside of three hundred years, the only languages spoken upon the globe will be the English, Russian and Chinese. We take exception to the last named for the reason that the Chinese is not likely to spread beyond the limits of the celestial empire, and when that empire is dismembered, which according to the present outlook it will be within a short period of years, then the Chinese language will give place to some other more perfect and expressive. Already the Chinese Empire has begun to decay, and in less than a single decade it will be divided between England, Russia, Japan and Germany. As for the predominance of the English and Russian languages, there seem to be good grounds for the supposition, but yet there are as good grounds for supposing that the German or the French language will live as long and be as widely spoken as will be the Russian. At present, the English language is the most universally spoken and is likely to be so for many centuries to come.

CHOICE OF ALTERNATIVES.

There are various courses open to the United States in opposing Spain. The first and most natural would be to demand indemnity for the destruction of the battleship Maine, and to make war with Spain if the indemnity be not paid. The second is to recognize the belligerency of the insurgents. This would put the latter on an equal footing with Spain so far as purchasing supplies and ammunition in this country is concerned, but would not necessarily involve war. The third would be to recognize the independence of Cuba. This would necessitate the appointment of a minister to the new republic and as such minister would require protection from Spanish hostility, the United States would be obliged to go to war with Spain.

What is now proposed is armed intervention to stop hostilities in Cuba. Such intervention will require the presence of an American army to prevent further warfare between the armies of Spain and Cuba. It will not be sufficient to prevent the Spaniards from hostile movements; the United States must also prevent the insurgents from capturing cities now in possession of Spain. How long could this intervention be maintained? Indefinitely? Not likely. When United States intervention should cease then Spain and Cuba would resume hostilities with as much venom as before the intervention. If the United States without recognizing the independence of Cuba, sends an army to stop hostilities in Cuba, it will be attacked by the insurgents on one side and by the Spaniards on the other. This will put the United States under the necessity of fighting Spain and Cuba at the same time. Hence, it is best either to recognize Cuban independence and strike a blow to Spanish rule on the island or let matters in Cuba rest as at present and bring Spain to account for destroying the Maine. To grant the Cubans belligerent rights would solve the whole difficulty as it would enable the insurgents to drive the Spaniards out of the island.

WHAT BOSTON EDITORS SAY.

Boston, April 7.—The Boston Post holds: "For the United States to take any step whatever to deprive the Cuban revolutionists of the fruits of their long and persistent struggles for liberty, for which so much Cuban blood has been shed and so many thousand Cuban lives sacrificed, would be a proceeding disgraceful beyond all conception. We do not believe it would be tolerated by the American people. For our part, we think it is the business of this country to promote the cause of human freedom; but to place any impediment in its way would be to be false to all our traditions. To intimate that President McKinley has any such idea is a gratuitous insult to him."

"Intervention, active, emphatic," The Journal insists, "is the policy to which the president's mind is made up. If Spain yields, it must be between today and Monday, for to all intents and purposes President McKinley has already delivered his ultimatum."

The Advertiser treats of Spain's case as argued by the minister in Washington as follows: "The American people agree with the Spanish minister that to appeal to war unnecessarily 'would be too wanton, too criminal, too offensive to all the dictates of civilization and christianity;' but if war comes it will only be because Spain shall have [illegible] 'all the dictates of civilization and christianity.' Not one step has the United States taken that has not been made absolutely necessary by the brutal indifference of the Spanish government in Cuba to all the appeals of civilization and christianity."

The Globe says: "'Stand by the president' may be good advice, but some people are having hard work to find out just where the president stands, preparatory to taking up their position by him."

MEN'S LEAGUE OFFICERS.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Men's league of the Paige Street Free Baptist church, held last evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing six months: Vice president, D. P. Knowlton; secretary, [illegible]; treasurer, W. A. Brown. The election of president was deferred until the next regular meeting.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Fraternal Orders Discussed at Length.

BILL TO PROHIBIT DEDUCTION FROM WAGES.

A Race of Two Vessels to China.

Boston, April 7.—The act relating to fraternal beneficiary associations provoked a good deal of discussion in the house yesterday, but was finally passed with but minor amendments, while the adverse report on the petition to compel fire insurance companies to pay full damage if covered by the policy, remains as unfinished business for today.

The committee on roads and bridges has reported an appropriation of $600,000 for state highways, $400,000 to be spent in 1898, but the whole amount may be contracted for.

A bill was reported by the labor committee to prohibit deductions in the wages of women and minors who are paid by the day or hour, employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, for time during which machinery stopped, provided that the women and minors are confined in the establishments. The penalty is from $20 to $50.

A RACE TO CHINA.

New York, April 7.—A deal was made a few days ago at this port by the captains of two sailing vessels as to which would reach Shanghai, China, first, the stake being $500. The British ship, Atlanta, cleared the bar at 12 o'clock noon yesterday and the other, the British bark, Beeswing, cleared 10 minutes later. The voyage under ordinary circumstances takes about three months.

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"QUIET AND ORDERLY."

Havana, April 7.—After many days of foolish confidence that something would happen, a number of people here, Americans and others, have been plunged into foolish fear and turmoil. People who should know better insist that war has been declared; others are sure that the pope has secured peace with honor. Bankers with close American connections are packing their papers, collecting debts, arranging for guards for their vaults and sending their families away. Cuban women, with husbands, fathers, or brothers in the insurgent ranks, are in a state of terror. The few score pure Americans who remain keep as cool as may be.

It is to the credit of the government here that although it was well known that yesterday was crucial with war probable and Spanish defeat certain, Havana up to 11 yesterday morning was generally quiet and orderly. The removal of the embargo consequent upon the quarantine laws gives relief to thousands, but the new trouble arises of lack of transportation. No doubt many will leave as the result of a needless scare, since probably they would be no safe here as anywhere, a possible bombardment being left out of the account. Some Spaniards still talk wildly about the United States fleet being blown out of the water by fire from the Havana batteries on the water front, but as careful practice two days ago showed the inability of the gunners to come within 100 yards of a target on smooth water at a range of two miles or thereabouts, naval men need not be apprehensive of the effect of the Havana guns.

A DASH TO THE CANARIES.

Washington, April 7.—The plan for the naval forces in event of hostilities is now practically completed after several weeks of constant work on the part of the officers to whom was entrusted this important feature of the war preparations. While these plans are closely guarded, it may be stated that one feature of them contemplates a dash by the flying squadron under Commodore Schley to the Canary islands.

As outlined by a high naval official, the plan is that in the event of a declaration of war, the flying squadron as it is now composed, or possibly with the addition of a few more ships, will immediately start for the east with the Canaries as its destination. Naval officials do not think it would be a difficult task for so powerful a fleet to establish a station at that point, and operating from it as a base harrass the coast of Spain.

From that point the squadron would not only be placed advantageously to intercept Spanish merchantmen, but would be in a position, should circumstances demand, to attack a seaport. It was also pointed out by this officer that to seize and hold the Canary islands would be a severe blow to Spain, inasmuch as the islands lie between the Cape Verde islands and Spain, and in direct line with the route to China. Should such a plan be put in operation the American fleet in Cuban waters would be composed of the squadron at the Tortugas and such additional vessels as could be spared from the protection of the coast further up.

BROOKLYN'S GUNS TESTED.

Fort Monroe, April 7.—The Brooklyn, flagship of the flying squadron, tried her 8-inch guns yesterday, in order to test the new elevating apparatus designed to give them greater range. The test was not made solely to demonstrate the ability of the apparatus, but to see if the turrets after being so materially changed would stand the shock to which they were subjected.

THE BROOKLYN.

In 35 minutes every railing, rope, capstan, anchor, small boat and loose hamper had been removed. The first shot was sent with a service charge of 85 pounds of powder, the gun being elevated at five degrees. The two 250-pound shell left the muzzle of the gun at a velocity of 2600 feet a second. It struck the water two and three-quarters miles from the ship, sending up a vast column of water. The second shot was with a full powder charge, 110 pounds, and sent the projectile nearly four miles, putting it in the water at a speed of 1600 feet per second. There was no perceptible jarring from the shot.

PRAYER OF PREACHERS.

Worcester, Mass., April 7.—The New England Methodist conference has adopted a resolution addressed to the president as follows: "The conference desires to express to you its profound sympathy in your untiring efforts in behalf of suffering humanity on the island of Cuba, and its hearty endorsement of your policy to do everything consistent with our honor as a nation to adjust the strained relations between this country and Spain without recourse to devastating war. It is the fervent prayer of the preachers and the people that you may have the dignified support of the national congress in the settlement of this difficulty."

STILL LOOKS FOR WAR.

Baltimore, April 7.—United States Senator Wellington, who was in Baltimore yesterday, said: "I had hoped that war could be averted, but I see no prospect of that at the present time, and unless there is a decided change in the situation war in a very short time is inevitable."

ACCUSED OF JUGGLING.

London, April 7.—The highest officials in this city are convinced that Spain designedly juggled the alleged facts of President McKinley's connection with the pope's attempt to mediate in order to influence public opinion in Europe against the United States, using the Spanish ambassadors at the capitals as the mouthpieces of the misinformation. This, apparently, had the desired effect upon continental opinion, but it had exactly the opposite effect in Great Britain.

RECEIVED NO ORDERS.

Havana, April 7.—The attitude of the public here is one of quiet expectancy. The order maintained in the city is admirable. Consul General Lee assures the correspondent of the Associated Press that he has received no instructions to leave Havana. It is reported, however, that some of the consular records were sent north by the Mascotte. She is expected back from Key West on Friday. With the Bache, Mangrove and Fern there will be ample accommodation then to take away all who are entitled to go.

MRS. WOODFORD'S DEPARTURE.

Madrid, April 7.—Mrs. Woodford, wife of the United States minister, accompanied by her niece and Lieutenant G. L. Dyer, the United States naval attache, left last night for Biarritz. General Woodford bade them farewell at the station. Considerable surprise is expressed at their departure "in view of the settlement," but Miss Woodford remains, and it is explained that the others will soon return.

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MURDERER'S VISIT

At a House in Weymouth Yesterday.

RETURNS OF CORPORATIONS AT STATE HOUSE.

Gov. Wolcott Appoints a New Judge.

Boston, April 7.—Captain Wyman of division 4 has learned that a suspiciously acting man who closely corresponded with the description of the murderer of Clerk Russell was seen at East Weymouth. A man called at a house there on the morning after the crime and asked for something to eat. That evening, while reading the story of the crime in a Boston paper, the members of the household who saw the young man of the morning instantly recognized in him the exact counterpart of the fellow described as the murderer of Clerk Russell. The clew will be followed closely.

The annual returns of corporations as reported by the secretary of the state to the legislature show the aggregate amount of capital invested in new corporations in 1897 as $70,894,250 and by increase of capital $5,427,500 additional. The whole number of certificates of incorporation is 503. The number of annual certificates of condition filed is 2111, of which 47 are duplicates or omissions of a previous year. Twenty-one corporations have reduced their capital $2,031,800 and 36 corporations have been dissolved by the supreme judicial court.

At an auction sale of mill stocks some fluctuations were evident as follows: Booth, off 7 1-2, at $12 1-2; Massachusetts, off 1 1-4, at 78 3-4; Lyman, off 4, at 50 3-4, and Tremont and Suffolk, off 4 3-4, at 125 1-4.

When the executive council met yesterday Governor Wolcott announced the appointment of Judge Edmund Aldridge of Cottage City as justice of the Dukes county district court, which has just been made a district court. The governor also nominated Judge George W. Cate of Amesbury and Frank W. Hodgdon of Arlington members of the commission on the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire. They succeed to the vacancies caused by the death of Henry Carter and George Whitney.

In the municipal court yesterday, Isaac C. Harvey, charged with having in his possession 156 lobsters each of which was shorter than the length required by law, which is 10½ inches, was fined $5 for each lobster, aggregating $780.

WALKED ONCE TOO OFTEN.

Taunton, Mass., April 7.—James Pinkham, 79 years old, who, for nearly 50 years, had walked on the railroad track to and from his work with the Mason Machine company, was struck by a train last night and instantly killed. He was recently married, and also leaves three children by his first wife.

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TS TRIUMPH OVER MEDICINE.

A Talk with Prof. J. P. Coffey, who has been associated with Der Friiz for the last two years, and acknowledged to be the Great Exponent of This Marvelous Principle, Which is Upsetting the Old-Time Theories of Physicians.

This is an age of the upsetting of old theories. Every day we hear of some master mind putting into practice a new method which is so far in advance of what had gone before that man stands appalled at the thought of his previous groping, and wonders how life could have progressed under the old regime. Look back over half a century and mark the upward steps that have led this nation to the high and proud position it now occupies; mark the wreaths of fame that rest upon the brows of our scientists, our inventors, our men of mind, with whom thought is action, and action the enlightening of mankind.

Probably the most important discovery of latter times, or more properly speaking, the most successful scientific development of a known principle (for it is as old as history), is the bringing into battle with sickness and disease of Vital Magnetism. The great exponent of this principle of life and health is Professor Coffey who, now in the prime of a useful life, finds he has mastered his subject, and having it completely in hand, can use it as nature intended it should be used, to benefit sick and suffering humanity.

He has made the anatomy of the human body a study; he knows disease and sickness by the various "help signals" that show in a hundred ways to his practiced eye, and which are undistinguishable to others. The successful operator must know every bone, muscle, nerve, vein and artery in the body, with its uses and relation to every other part, and the results that will follow from any abnormity of any one of them. The diagnosis is largely through the sense of touch, which is developed to the highest perfection.

"As the fingers of the blind are trained to read the letters of the alphabet through several thicknesses of cloth, so the fingers of the professor passed over the surface of the body, can detect the slightest displacement of any muscle, tendon, bone, artery or vein.

"He knows not only how the body looks when the anatomy is normal, but also how it feels. The location and nature of the trouble having been ascertained, the next thing is to know how to remove it, and this requires skill of another kind.

"Perhaps the trouble is caused by the malposition of some small ligament an inch or more from the surface, where it is impossible to get the fingers directly upon it. Then the operator must be acquainted with all the principles of mechanics as applied to machinery of the human body. He must understand how to use the various bones, muscles and ligaments as levers, pulleys, etc., and be able to calculate to a mathematical certainty just what movement is required and what the result will be.

"This involves not only a thorough knowledge of the laws of mechanics, but a knowledge of the mechanical relation of every part of the body to every other part.

"It is neither 'faith cure,' hypnotism nor massage, although it has been classed with these things by those who have heard of it, but never investigated. As it consists of manipulation it is frequently confounded with massage, but there is nothing in common except that the hands are used in both systems. Beyond this fact they are totally different. In massage the operator rubs and pats the body at random, without any knowledge of anatomy, and expects results simply because such vigorous stirring up of the surface of the body has proved beneficial in some other case.

"Professor Coffey, however, can give a reason for every move he makes. He knows exactly what particular nerve, vein or artery he is endeavoring to reach or what bone, muscle or ligament he desires to readjust. Again, it is ignorantly supposed by some that this system of healing deals only with bone or nervous diseases. The Professor "reasons that disease results from some displacement, enlargement, obstruction or abnormity of a bone, muscle or ligament, or some unnatural pressure upon a nerve or blood vessel.

"For example, a dislocation at the shoulder may cause rheumatism in the hand or wrist, a dislocated rib may produce heart disease, a diseased nerve in the stomach may affect the eyesight, and so on. The professor removes the obstruction by manipulation.

"The results that I have obtained over disease I have secured when I have handled the engine of life as an engineer handles his engine. So long as I conform to the laws governing an engine, the human locomotive obeys, just as well as any locomotive will obey its engineer when he treats it as the machinist has indicated by the form of any and all parts of the engine.

"If some substance should get into the wheels of a watch, or the core should become loosed or bent, would a workman pour acids, nux vomica or some chemical calculated to destroy the works into it? No. First he would ascertain where the obstruction was, would remove it, straighten the bent wheels and set it going. This is done by scientific manipulation alone, without the use of drugs, the knife or surgical appliances of any kind.

"The successful operator approaches his patient with confidence as a surgeon. He knows his work—no guesswork about his work—no gambling that possibly one drug may do something in one way and another something in another.

"I know when I turn off the current of that electric light in my room the the light will cease to shine. I know that when a certain nerve or vein or muscle is shut off from its source of supply of power the parts to which it leads must logically become diseased.

"We know that the current of life is all right if all the conections are tight as the light comes into the globe when the knob is turned. We turn the knob which may be turned shut and light appears at once. I say we do this, and the records of our cases will show that we do it.

Thousands of men and women possess it in a degree, but it is in the study of its points and their scientific development that my success is due. My claim for it is this: Every human system is supplied with a certain amount of Vital Magnetism; when that supply falls below its proper limit sickness is as sure to follow as the day the night; we, being gifted with an excess amount of it, and having devoted years of deep study to the manner of properly transmitting it to those who suffer, are able to supply the amount that is lacking in the system of our patients, and what is the result?

"Health, glorious health, and nothing else.

"We study our patients first, not finding the cause of the trouble, starting from the brain, which in every case is the head office of all bodily ills. We finding the nerve lines that lead to the actual trouble, we send a supply of Vital Magnetism to the suffering spot and drive out of the system the cause of complaint, and the result is that the poor, tired, worn body that perhaps a half hour before was racked with pain now glows with the warmth of life and vitality; in fact, is born anew. All because the lacking amount of Vital Magnetism has been furnished, and the great principle of life and health is complete.

"That," continued Professor Coffey "is Vital Magnetism; I make no secret of what it is, or how to apply it. I believe thousands of men and women are blessed with this glorious gift, and I hope to see the day when it will be the great curative principle of the age, and that medicines and drugs will have been banished to the dark ages of mistakes, where they justly belong."

These great healers have been prevailed upon to extend their stay in Lowell for a few days.

Papers could be filled with the most wonderful cures performed by these men in Boston, and fully 30,000 people have witnessed their marvelous work during their lectures and healing clinics at both Berkeley and the People's Temples, Boston, and also at the Odd Fellow's Temple in Lowell during the last three months.

We know that such remarkable cures as are being made in this city seem almost incredible, and these performances seem more like miracles than solid facts, yet they have been witnessed by thousands of people as they really took place at Odd Fellow's Temple in the most public manner.

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7 bars Lenox Soap, 25c.
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3 bottles best Vanilla Extract, 25c.
5 lbs. Turkey Prunes, 25c.
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3 lbs. old fashioned Dried Apples, 25c.
50 bush. choice Mealy White Potatoes, 50c. bush., 25c. pk.
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RING'S BICYCLE STORE, 221-229 DUTTON STREET

A New York literary man relates that he recently had occasion to consult a well-known physician for a stomach trouble which was pronounced a type of dyspepsia. "After consultation," he writes, "the Doctor gave me a prescription, and I was somewhat surprised to note that the formula was nearly identical with that of

Ripans Tabules

for which I had, on more than one occasion, prepared advertising matter. I had the prescription filled, and it proved satisfactory, giving quick relief. A week later, when I had taken all the medicine, I again called on the Doctor and mentioned the similarity of his prescription and the proprietary remedy spoken of, showing him both the remedy itself and the formula. The Doctor was at first somewhat inclined to criticize what he called patent medicines, but appeared to be surprised when he noted to what extent his own prescription conformed to the formula I showed him. It was practically the same. After a short time devoted to noting the careful manner in which the proprietary medicine was prepared, he wound up by prescribing it for my case. Of course I had to pay him for telling me to do this, but it was worth the cost to have such high professional assurance that the advertised article was, in fact, the scientific formula that it purported to be. I might have taken the proprietary medicine in the beginning and saved the Doctor's fee, but I think the confidence I have acquired in the efficacy of the remedy, through the Doctor's indorsement of it, is well worth the fee."

LILIES ARE QUEENS.

The Easter Flower and Its Annual Advent.

BAHAMAS' LILY FIELDS.

Preparations Complete For the Garlanding of Altars, and the Bedecking of Beauty.

Millions of Easter lilies, roses and violets, pure and sweet as the dreams of babes; thousands of dainty boxes, baskets and jardinieres ready to place them in; miles of bright-colored ribbons to knot about exquisite bunches of fragrant bloom—and all for the glorious Easter day, sacred to Flora, to purity and to affection. 'Tis a beautiful custom, this giving of sweet flowers to sweethearts and to dear friends on this gladsome day, when the thoughts, like the flowers, look upward and the rich elixir of Spring is in the air and in the blood.

Of all the flowers that bloom the gracefulness, the purity and the whiteness of the lily of Bermuda best symbolizes the Easter sentiment, and have made it the queen flower for Easter time. This lily takes most kindly to the soil and climate of Bermuda, where millions of the bulbs are grown annually and shipped to this and other countries. The bulbs are purchased by the florists, and planted in their hothouses about a month before Easter, so as to be in full bloom by the holiday. Should the blossoms show signs of opening too soon, the plants are placed on their sides; and the growth thus retarded until the proper time arrives. The Easter lily improves with the age of the plant. The bulbs should be at least two years old, though some dealers prefer to wait until their fourth year, when they are hardy enough to produce beautiful flowers, even with careless treatment.

But the Easter lily has its rivals, its attendants, its maids of honor, as, indeed, a queen should have. Rivaling it in beauty, but not in suggestiveness of white purity is the Japanese lily. This is a gorgeous flower, with long, slightly curved petals, touched with tawny spots and of a rare fragrance. The American Beauty rose is another rival; and, notwithstanding its color, many give it the place of honor on Easter day. The flowers are large and of a rich deep red, with strong stems covered with luxuriant foliage.

The azalea, with its wealth of blossoms, makes a pretty and harmonious accompaniment to the stately lily; while the acacia, the lilac, jonquils and tulips all do service as attendant beauties. The modest little violet, the more saucy carnations, dainty pink and white daisies, primroses and the fragrant arbutus are making ready their most beautiful blossoms for Easter day. All of these and many more flowers of rare beauty and fragrance will be ready at the diligent florist's sales counters to deplete the pockets of the sighing lover, the generous friend, the happy husband—whoever cares to buy—come Easter time.

The sensible fashion of sending the growing plant in place of cut flowers is becoming more common each Easter. The plants, with a suitable amount of rich soil, are put up in handsome jardinieres or baskets; and, if cared for, will flourish for months, giving of their fragrance and beauty generously, as constant reminders of the kind hand which sent them. Some of these receptacles for the growing plants are quite elaborate affairs and beautifully decorated. They are mounted on tripods of bamboo, painted in rich designs; and, when crowned with the growing plant in full bloom, have an exceedingly handsome and decorative effect.

For table decoration few flowers are more appropriate and beautiful than growing jonquils and violets in full blossom. The plants are potted in silver and Bohemian glass or in pretty basket-work cases. A suitable decoration for an Easter dinner would be a mirror lake in the center of the table, with a boat loaded with blooming violets riding on its surface and shores bordered with ferns and the foliage and bloom of small-petaled flowers.

The young man who would send his lady love an Easter floral offering this year, will have to go down deep into his pocket for an abundance of cash, if he is ambitious to utilize all the magnificence the florist can place at his disposal. To begin with the flowers and their accessories will cost much money; and then will come the delivery, which is really a very grand and imposing affair, likewise costing very much more money. The fashionable florist's delivery cart of to-day is a magnificent equipage, with a coachman and footman in royal sables occupying the box, and drawn by costly well-groomed horses in harnesses of enameled violet leather with gold and silver mountings.

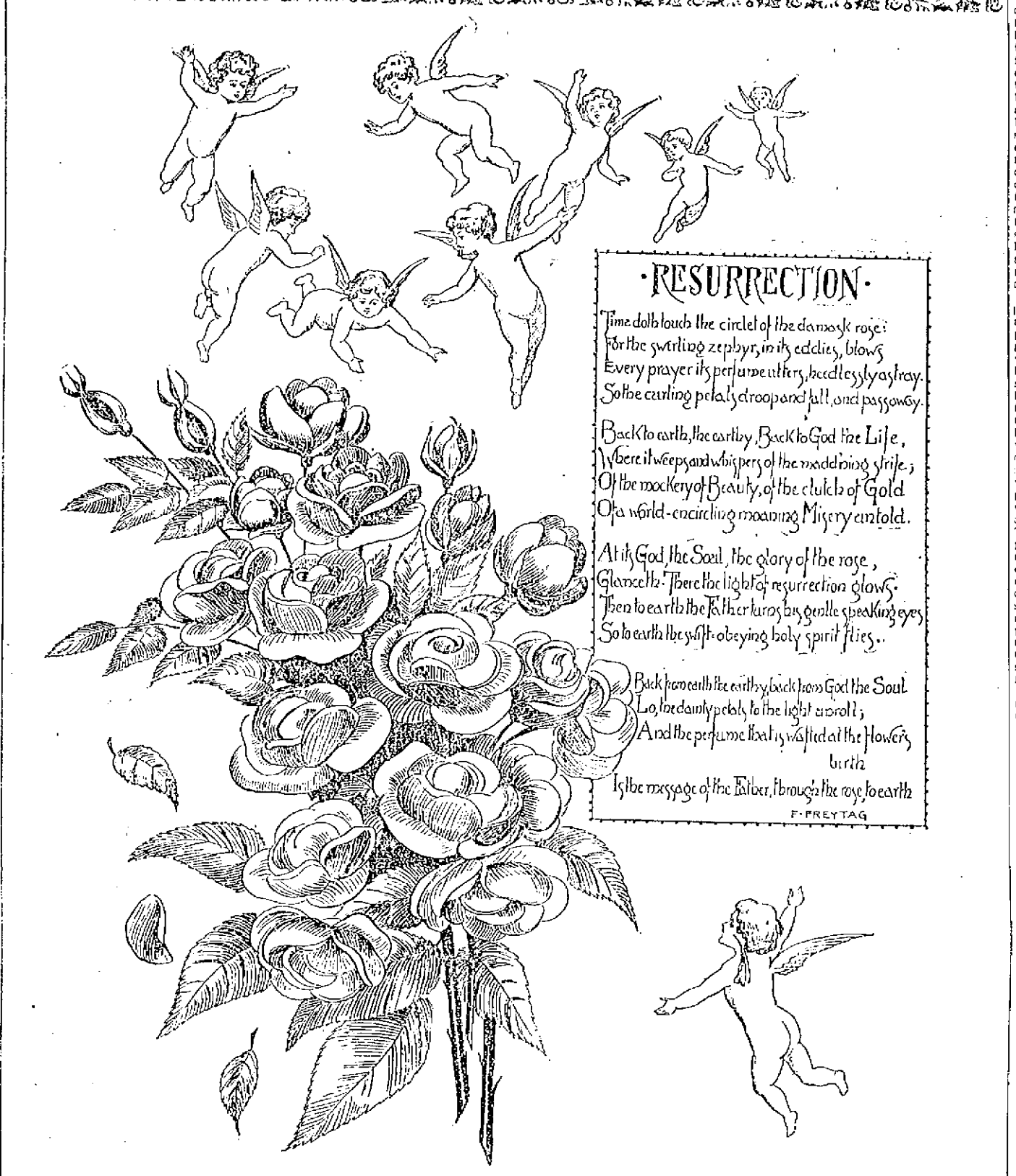
Yes, all this will come high; but it is all very fine and proper and doubtless will make a very deep impression on the heart of My Lady Disdain. And yet, a little bunch of violets, fresh from the hands of the giver, can convey as tender a message or tell of love as abiding or friendship as faithful to lady love or friend; and so the very poor as well as the very rich can give and receive the blessings of the happy Easter time. Not the costliness of the gift, but the affection of the giver, makes its value.

Lavender Perfume for Smelling Salts.

Six drams of oil of lavender aug., five drops of oil of cloves aug., ten drops of oil of rose geranium, ten drops of attar of roses, one dram and a half of essence of ambergris, two drams of essence of bergamotte, one dram and a half of essence of musk. Mix and shake well before dropping on the salts.

Pale pink afternoon and evening gowns are daintily finished with a belt of delicate violet velvet.

"The Power Of An Endless Life" Is In The Soul Of Easter Rife.



THE FRIVOLOUS SIDE OF EASTER TIME.

Some Of The Monster Eggs Made For Display This Year.

COMIC FIGURES ON EASTER EGG SHELLS.

In these days of skilled confectioners the Easter eggs, natural and artificial, have become, some of them, veritable works of art, while all exhibit the skill and ingenuity of their manufacturers in the grotesqueness, beauty or costliness of their designs. Nor will the outside of the Easter egg alone, however quaint or beautiful it may be, absorb the attention of the recipient; but eager fingers will at once seek to solve the mystery—what woman or child is there who does not delight in mystery of the kind of the breed of the chicken the egg will hatch. And the chickens! Well, you may expect to find anything from a bed room set to an Easter bonnet in your egg this year; for watches, rings, brooches, clocks, studs, pins, gloves, sweetmeats, handkerchiefs, books, photos, and live birds are the names of but a few of the many delightful surprises which will await the egg openers.

Eggs in which presents are to be placed are made of papier-mache shells, and are usually covered with hand-painted satin. Of course where the giver is an artist, the value of the gift will be enhanced greatly if the painting is done by the same hand that sends the gift. Travelers sometimes bring in ostrich eggs to be painted and filled; and, at least, one egg of the extinct great auk has passed through the hands of the confectioner. This egg would be a gift fit for a king, empty or filled, for the rarity of the great auk's eggs makes them of very great value. But the record-breaker, in point of size and probably in costliness, was an egg made in London and sent to a South African millionaire's bride. The shell of this giant egg was composed entirely of chocolate, and was nine feet long and eighteen feet in circumference at the widest part. It required seven men to carry it. A ton of superfine confectionery, an expensive and extensive wedding trousseau and numerous wedding gifts were all packed within the egg. The bill for the sweetmeats alone was $2,500, and the whole was insured for many thousands of dollars, before being shipped for Africa.

A few years ago a certain New York railroad magnate had a superb Easter egg made for his little son. It was a miniature carriage, the body being in the shape of a huge egg, enamelled white, lined with white quilted satin, and drawn by a pair of exceedingly diminutive ponies. This is but one of the many Easter extravagancies indulged in by New Yorkers. Indeed, no city in the world buys costlier Easter eggs than does New York; and this fact has made its confectioners the most skillful of workmen in this department of art.

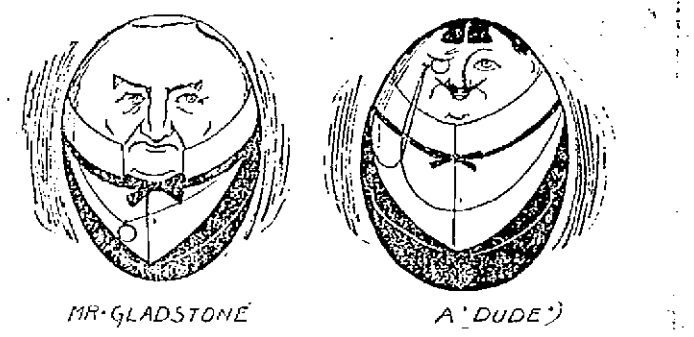
This year the display of Easter novelties is especially attractive, and includes many beautiful and quaint designs. There is the little Swiss carrier, with the egg in the pannier; and a very large and extremely wise-looking mother owl and her numerous family, with bodies made of delicious chocolate eggs, which is quite sure to please lovers of the odd. While a real chick, dressed to represent a milliner's apprentice, with a great box of eggs in one hand and a bunch of fragrant flowers in the other, can, should the donor wish, deliver an expensive hat or bonnet in lieu of the eggs in the box. Another elaborate and costly affair is a very pretty egg, carried in a bamboo cab or jinrikisha, and drawn by a team of four stately little storks. On the high seat at the back stands a fifth stork, who, with all the dignity of mien of a Fifth-avenue coachman, appears to be ready to drive the dainty equipage post haste to the home of the donor's lady love. Of course the proper thing to do would be to drop a beautiful jewel into the egg before giving the coachman the address. Then there are rich cakes, in the form of magnificent eggs, iced and decorated in a most beautiful manner; and bound, where the two halves are joined, with pretty ribbons.

But the quaintest and funniest of all are the Easter egg likenesses. These are made from hen's eggs. The contents are first blown out and the shells weighted or balanced with fine shot, in such a way that they will always stand on end. An artist now takes the eggs and judges from their shapes what "character" to give each one. Then, with brush and paint, he proceeds to transform the eggs into ludicrous caricatures of, it may be, Mr. Gladstone, Grover Cleveland, Cecil Rhodes, McKinley or other notable characters. Now the funny thing is the behavior of these egg-men. Knock Grover Cleveland down; and, with his usual obstinacy, up he bobs ready for another hit. Push Gladstone over; and the Grand Old Fellow jumps up so quickly and frowns so fiercely, that one is quite sure he must have seen a Turk. Even McKinley cannot be downed; and the dude swaggers about furiously, and the clown rolls and tumbles around in a way to make the heart glad and the lips laugh. It is the fine shot, held firmly by wax to the bottom inside of the shell, that enables these quaint little egg-men to accomplish these marvelous gymnastical feats.

The Easter egg novelties for children are more numerous and costly than ever this year. Beautiful and elaborate eggs made of satin or plaited straw, have hidden within them delightful surprises for the bright eyes of their owners to spy out. A doll's complete trousseau, or a miniature tea or dinner-service, or a regiment of soldiers, or a boy's tool chest, or countless games and mechanical toys of all kinds are apt to make the hatching of the eggs on Easter day an exceedingly enjoyable occupation for the children.

The Origin of a Name.

The lovely Marechal Niel rose owes its name to the Empress Eugenie. When General Niel returned from the scene of his triumphs over the Austrians in Italy after the battles of Solferino and Magenta a poor man gave him a basket filled with exquisite yellow roses. The general had a cutting struck from one of the blooms, and when the rose tree from it had grown he took it to the Empress Eugenie. She was charmed with the gift, but when she asked the name of the rose, she was told that it was unknown. "Ah!" she said. "I will give it a name; it shall be the Marechal Niel." By this she conveyed to the gallant officer that he had been made a marshal of France for his services to the country, as well as naming the lovely blossom.



SOME QUEER EASTER EGG IDEAS.

EASTER FANCIES AND FADS TO INTEREST THE FAIR SEX.

Brides Now Wear Jewels.

It is noticeable at many of the smart weddings of the season that the bride no longer denies herself the wearing of any jewels. It used to be a sort of unwritten but carefully adhered-to law that a maiden on her wedding day should have no ornaments save those of her blooming youth and the typical flowers of her state. This, however, has been gradually changed, and brides appear more and more often with superb gems. It was literally a yard of pearls that a bride wore on her neck not long ago when she became a wife. A bit of sentiment about this comparatively new jewel-wearing of brides is that only the ornaments that are given by the immediate family or the groom shall be thus honored.

A Severe Law.

The Argentine Republic has imposed a tax upon celibates of either sex. These are the first two clauses of the new law: "On and after January 1st, 1897, every male from the age of twenty to eighty shall pay a tax until he marries, and shall pay it once in every month." Clause 2: "Young celibates of either sex who shall, without legitimate motive, reject the addresses of him or her (ladies may propose in Argentina) who may aspire to her or his hand, and who continue contumaciously unmarried, shall pay the sum of 500 pesetas for the benefit of the young person, man or woman, who has been so refused."

Glass Obtained from Grass.

Grass might be supposed to be the last material from which glass could be obtained. But an accident at a northern glass factory proves that it is so. A large mass of esparto grass had been burnt by mischance in a furnace, and after it had been entirely consumed large masses of glass were found amongst the ashes. These pieces, on being treated in the usual manner in a kiln, produced glass which is described as "a good sample of bottle-glass." At first sight this seems most extraordinary, but as flint, which is the chief component of glass, is to be found in large quantities in all grasses, and particularly in the straw of wheat and oats, it is easily explained.

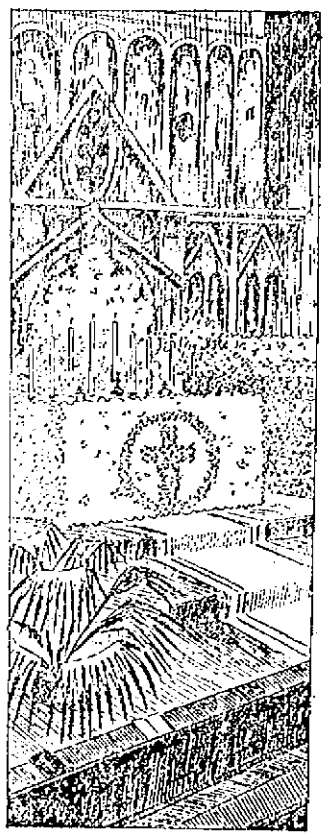
Satin Underskirts.

Satin, as having greater lustre than silk, is chosen for the under dress of the organdie and gauze dresses now being made for the summer. It is claimed, too, that satin will be the most suitable material for the sheath skirt. Taffeta is too light in weight and too bouffante. The satin marvelleuse once so fashionable makes the most durable of all skirts, whether for an outer or an under dress.

Dress Accessories.

Something very pretty for summer dresses is the boxed dress patterns of white applique lawn. This is predestined to take the place entirely of the once well loved brown batiste and the white embroidered lawn. The applique is edged all about with a fine line of black needlework, and a white organdie, flowered over with pale lavender and deep purple iris blossoms, set in a delicate black framework, is a delectable sight to beauty-loving eyes.

EASTER LILIES IN THE BERMUDAS.



AN EASTER ALTAR DECORATION.

THE UNIQUE AND THE ODD.

Many stories could be told of the alertness which Senators display in securing well-placed desks, but the experience of Mr. Vest is especially worth relating. When, in 1883, the civil service law was being discussed, Mr. Pendleton, an Ohio Democrat, and Mr. Dawes had presented bills. By a shrewd bit of politics the Republicans abandoned their support of the Dawes bill and voted for Mr. Pendleton's measure, their votes, together with the votes of the Democrats favorable to the measure, being sufficient to pass it. As the bill was about to be voted on, Mr. Cockrell moved that its title be changed so as to read: "A bill to retain Republicans in office." As soon as it passed Mr. Vest filed a claim for Mr. Pendleton's seat. "The author of such a bill," said he, "will never come back to the Senate."

Mr. Vest was right, and at the beginning of the next Congress he moved into Mr. Pendleton's vacant chair.—Washington Post.

A darky was suing a railroad company for damages—caused by the killing of his cow. There was a strong suspicion that he had purposely driven the cow on the track.

"You'll swear you didn't?"

"Did you not drive the animal in front of the engine?" asked the lawyer for the road.

"No, suh, I didn't!"

"Yes, suh, ten times over!"

He won the case, but as he pocketed the check for his money some one overheard him say:

"Dat wuz a narrow escape I had, I tell you; but I tol' him de truth. It wuzn't me what driv' de cow in front er de engine, but my brother-in-law—he da one done it! I mighty glad dat lawyer stop when he did, kase he wuz right in de fambly!"

The Patron—I confess that I'm prone to making a mountain out of a molehill.

The Clairvoyant—Why don't you go into the real estate business?

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CLOTHES BASKETS.

Clothes Baskets are going fast with a pound of 800 Tea. This is the only lot of these goods we will have. Dickson Bros., the Big Tea Dealers, 65 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 15 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

Coal and coal. If you want the best, order it of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street.

Kittredge & Son of this city have the contract for erecting a dam at Manchester, N. H.

See the fancy belts in my window. Up to date. Bottom prices. Harris, 10 Appleton street.

Miss Bridget T. Cryan has entered the employ of Miss M. A. Baird of the Temple of Design.

The Misses Lennon and the Misses McCarthy of this city are spending a few days in New York city.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 953 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone.

Miss Lena Bagshaw, daughter of W. H. Bagshaw, the well known manufacturer, has entered Elmhurst academy, Elmhurst, R. I.

The M. Steinert & Sons company have leased the store well known as the Bijou Shoe store, Masonic Temple, 136 Merrimack street. They are having a special sale of pianos. See ad.

If the object in buying a bicycle is getting over the road Safely, Easily, and Quickly, then buy a "Racycle." It is "The" wheel this year. For sale only at 16 Merrimack street.

Lowell, April 1, 1898.

The annual meeting of the Lowell Reform club corporation will be held in Columbia hall, Friday evening, April 8, 1898, at 8 o'clock.

—A. E. Joy, President.
J. J. Harrington, Clerk.

Sold out to A. A. Turbell & Co. Dry Goods, large line of Dress Goods, Cloth and Fur Capes, Spring and Winter Cloaks, at retail and auction at 2 and 7 p. m. Everything to be sold this week. Store to be closed Saturday night. 112 Merrimack street. J. W. Bruce, auctioneer.

Grand Cake Walk and Dance at The Armory, April 26th. Those who wish to participate in the Cake Walk of G company, 5th Regiment, M.V.M., should make application to Corporal P. T. Durrell, 11 Bleachery street. The number of contestants will be limited to twelve couples. The committee reserve the right to approve or reject all applications. Applications will close April 20.

Monday night, the young friends of Master Albert L. J. Hatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Hatch, gathered at his home, 383 Worthen street and helped him celebrate his thirteenth birthday. During the evening, a pleasing entertainment was given, including songs by Miss Nettie Studley, Miss Elnora Clifford, Geneva Hatch, Nettie Fairweather, Mable Hatch, Rena Saunders, Miss Nettie Studley presided at the piano.

Geo. F. Stiles, deputy sheriff and messenger of the insolvent estate of P. P. Stiles & Co., will sell at public auction on Friday, April 8th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at store, corner of Market and Dutton streets, all the stock of groceries and movable fixtures contained in said store, the same to be sold in one lot; also horses, wagons, harnesses, sleigh, etc. Above described property is sold by order of the court of insolvency for Middlesex county. Terms of sale will be cash. Stock of goods can be inspected any time before the sale.

STOVER'S STRIKERS

GET $148 FROM HAVERHILL CONCERT.

The Stover Shoe Shop strikers are just as firm as ever. Last night they received a check for $148 from Haverhill—their share of the receipts of a concert given there recently. The strikers have not been near Mr. Stover but they say he has about 148 green hands in the shop, whereas his regular working force numbers about 300.

COMPANY G INSPECTED.

BY LIEUT. COL CHAFFIN LAST NIGHT.

Company C was informally inspected by Lieut. Col Chaffin of Southbridge at the armory last night. There were present many spectators who were immensely pleased with the drill.

They were well entertained for in addition to the usual routine work a squad directed by Corporal Saunders operated on a Gatling gun. They went through the various complicated movements which go to make a drill of this kind interesting and their uniform work was highly appreciated.

The company was commanded by Captain Greig, Lieut. Livingston and Lieut. Costello.

After the drill the recently promoted "non coms" were examined by Major Taylor of Wakefield.

Lieutenants Livingston and Costello gave a spread to their fellow members as a sort of observance of their recent promotion. It was served in the commissary room. Lieut. Col. Chaffin was one of the guests. Speaking of the war scare he stated that all the companies of the Sixth regiment are ready for service. He said that 1200 men, all of the Sixth, could be brought together within a few hours.

The ambulance corp had a full attendance, with the exception of Dr. Bell, who is ill, at its regular drill last night. The drill, while not so complicated as that of a company with firearms, was novel and interesting.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Fine job printing done at this office.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

HEBREW FESTIVAL

Of the Passover Now Being Observed.

COMMEMORATIVE OF THE DELIVERY FROM BONDAGE.

Descriptions of Their Interesting Ceremony.

With the deepening of the shadows, last evening, the Hebrew residents of this city, as their brethren the world over, began the commemoration of the delivery of their ancestors from bondage in the land of Egypt.

The opening services were held in the McIntyre street synagogue last evening, and this morning and evening and Friday morning and evening, there will be services. On these two days, the faithful are obliged to abstain from all work, and as the regular Sabbath service will be conducted Saturday, they will have a celebration of three days.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, they are allowed to return to work, and on Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning, and evening, and Thursday morning, there are services again and the people cease work. Thursday evening, the people are free to return to work.

Passover, the fast of gladness and rejoicing, the holiday of holidays of the Hebrews, is ushered in to last eight days. For a number of weeks elaborate preparations have been in progress among the ancient people for the observance of this sacred commemoration, and when the happy days come, the luxuriousness of the feasts are only limited by their worldly possessions. During these days gladness reigns supreme among both the rich and the poor.

During Passover, or Posach, as it is called in Hebrew, the children of Israel eat the matzos, or "bread of poverty," like that which their fathers ate in the exodus from Egypt.

On Tuesday evening, all manner of leaven was removed from every Hebrew household or accounted null in the following prayer by the master of the family:

"All manner of leaven which is in my possession which I have not seen or removed shall be null and accounted dust of the earth." If the master is not at home, he annuls the leaven wherever he is.

Dishes, cooking utensils and crockeries that have been used during the year must be replaced by new ones that have not been touched by leaven.

Every household must have a supply of matzos to last eight days and some Passover wine, distilled especially for the occasion, for the Sedorim, or the ceremonial feasts of the first two nights which form the most striking feature of the entire holiday.

These are symbolic suppers. The table must be prepared for them during daylight, but the ceremonies do not begin until after nightfall. Last evening, the first feast, or Sedor, took place.

The nature of the feast is as follows:

On a dish three matzos are placed, each covered separately and on them are placed in order the bitter herbs—horse radish or lettuce, which are taken in commemoration of the bitter work the Israelites were forced to perform in Egypt; raw parsley, dipped in yellowish electuary, which is taken in remembrance of the clay which they had to stamp in the land of the Pharaohs; the shank bone, which is a memorial to the Passover lamb; the egg, a memorial of the sacrifices brought during the Passover, when the Hebrews dwelt in their own land.

What is wanted first at the ceremony must be placed nearest to the head of the family, who presides at the feast.

Women and children all participate in the feast, and the mother of the household details to them the history of their ancestors' deliverance from Egypt.

To emphasize the liberty which their forefathers gained, every Hebrew father is considered a king at these feasts and every mother a queen. As a sign of their great freedom, they lean back and recline rather than sit at the table.

The men are dressed in the muslin, full-flowing white death robes, ready to follow the call of the Messiah, like their forefathers in Egypt. During the feasts, many prescribed plays are recited in quaint Oriental melodies that were never written and have come down from genration to generation, it is said, for hundreds of years.

Four cups of wine must be drunk during the Sedorim. The cup must have the capacity of a revitth or of an egg and a half. Everything that is eaten and drunk during the feasts is done so according to the prescribed order of the services.

The following opening prayer of the service breathes the spirit of the occasion:

"Lo This is the bread of affliction which our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt; let all those who are hungry enter and eat thereof and all those who are in distress come and celebrate the Passover. At present we celebrate it here, but the next year, we hope to celebrate it in the land of Israel. This year we are aliens, but next year we hope to be freemen in the land of Israel."

But it may not be amiss to say that while the invitation to the poor and distressed of the first part of the prayer is always justified in deed, the latter part thereof is said more out of custom than out of conviction or belief.

A quaint feature of the Sedor is the following four questions, which the youngest member of the family asks the father or the mother of ceremonies:

Wherefore is this night distinguished from other nights? Any other night we may eat either leavened or unleavened bread, but on this night only unleavened bread; any other night we may eat any species of herbs, but this night only bitter herbs; any other night we do not dip even once, but on this night twice; on all the other nights we eat and drink either sitting or leaning, but on this night we all recline."

The answer is recited by the father:

"Because we were slaves unto Pharaoh in Egypt, and the Eternal, our God, brought us forth from thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; and if the Most Holy, blessed be He, had not brought forth our ancestors from Egypt, we and our children and children's children, had still continued in bondage to the Pharaohs in Egypt; therefore, although we were all wise, all of us having knowledge in the law, it nevertheless is incumbent upon us to discourse of the departure from Egypt, and all those who largely discourse of the departure from Egypt are to be praised."

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Just remember that gray hair never becomes darker without help, while dark hair rapidly becomes gray when once the change begins.

Ayer's Hair Vigor

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It cleanses the scalp also and prevents the formation of dandruff. It feeds and nourishes the bulbs of the hair making them produce a luxuriant growth. It stops the hair from falling out and gives a fine soft finish to the hair as well.

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That the Soldiers be Disarmed.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Shanghai, April 7.—It is reported here that a chapel in Chung King of the Kiusu Province, belonging to an American mission has been attacked by rioters and some persons of the mission have been murdered. The United States consul has demanded from the Tsungli, first that the soldiers shall be disarmed; second, that the murderers shall be put to death and the ringleaders be arrested; third, that 500 taels be paid as compensation for the chapel destroyed; and fourth, that full protection be given to the missionaries when they return.

Several skirmishes are reported to have occurred in Formosa between the armies and rebels. The result of the Japanese general's election shows that neither the opposition nor the government parties will have a working majority in the next Diet without the adherence of neutrals. It is stated that the United States government intends to establish a consulate at Vladivostock.

WOMAN FOR MAYOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boise, Idaho, April 7.—Miss Jessie E. Parker was elected Mayor of Kendrick Idaho, after a spirited contest. Her opponent was one of the most popular men in the city.

INDIANS ARE UGLY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Fort Duchesne, Utah, April 7.—News from Ouray is to the effect that Indians are going in large numbers toward the mouth of Willow Creek in White River and the Uncompahgres are highly incensed at the allotment commissioners for their dilatory action. An Indian agent, Cornish, has left for the Willow Creek district to inform the Indians that the lands are open for settlement and that the whites were entitled by law to squat there.

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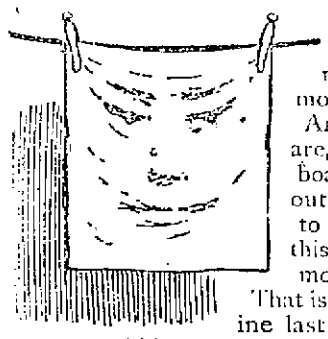

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EXTRA

ARE SEEKING TO AVERT WAR

Representatives of Six Great Powers Make Official Call.

First Visited President McKinley—Later They Went to State Department—France, England, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy Were Represented—"The Cubans Are Struggling for Absolute Independence" Says Their Representative.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The representatives of the six great powers of Europe, seeking to avert war between Spain and the United States, called on President McKinley at noon today. The governments of France, Germany, Austria, Russia and Italy were represented. Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, was the first to arrive, followed by Ambassador Von Holleben of Germany. Within a few minutes, all the ambassadors had been ushered into the blue room and President McKinley immediately left his office and went down to meet them.

The call of the representatives on the President was quite brief and at 11.20 o'clock they went over to the state department and made an official visit. They were headed by Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador and dean of the corps. The others included the French and German ambassadors, the Austrian minister and charge d'affaires of Italy and Russia. Their entire official suite of attaches accompanied them. The call evidently was by appointment, for they were at once shown into the diplomatic room of the state department where they were joined by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day, with whom they were closeted behind closed doors.

Sir Julian Pauncefote and the representatives of powers presented the following:

"The undersigned, representatives of Germany, Austria, Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia, duly authorized in that behalf, address in the name of their respective governments a pressing appeal to the feelings of humanity and moderation of the President and of the American people in their existing differences with Spain. They earnestly hope that further negotiations will lead to an agreement which, while securing the maintenance of peace, will afford all necessary guaranties for the re-establishment of order in Cuba.

"The powers do not doubt that the humanitarian and purely disinterested character of this representation will be fully recognized and appreciated by the American nation."

President McKinley replied as follows:

"The government of the United States recognizes the good will which has prompted the friendly communication of the representatives of Germany, Austro-Hungary, France, Great Britain, Italy and Russia, as set forth in the address of your excellencies, and shares the hope therein expressed that the outcome of the situation in Cuba may be the maintenance of peace between the United States and Spain by affording the necessary guarantees for the re-establishment of order in the island, so terminating the chronic order of disturbance there which so deeply injures the interests and menaces the tranquillity of the American nation by the character and consequences of the struggle thus kept up at our doors, besides shocking its sentiment of humanity.

"The government of the United States appreciates the humanitarian and disinterested character of the communication now made on behalf of the powers named, and for its part is confident that equal appreciation will be shown for its earnest and unselfish endeavors to fulfill a duty to humanity by ending a situation the indefinite prolongation of which has become insufferable."

ABSOLUTE INDEPENDENCE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Tomas Estrada Palma, delegate of the Cuban provisional government to the United States, when asked this morning if he had any comments to make regarding the statement in New York yesterday by Horatio S. Rubens, counsel for the Cuban Junta, dictated the following reply:

"All I care to say is this: That the Cubans are struggling for absolute independence. They have made tremendous sacrifices for achieving this purpose. They consider themselves already emancipated from Spanish rule; therefore they will resist all interference intended to compel them to pay a new allegiance to the sovereignty of Spain."

Asked what position he would consider it likely that the provisional government would take in view of a possible armistice, he said: "If the American government acknowledges the independence of Cuba and recognizes the actual government of the Cuban republic, I think it would not be difficult to accept on the part of the government of the republic of Cuba, an armistice, with the purpose of assuring the peace of the island."

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A DAY OF OMINOUS QUIET

Both Branches of Congress Are Now Strangely Reticent.

Army Reorganization and Mobile Harbor Bills Discussed—Quesata Informs Committee on Foreign Affairs That Cuba Has a Government of Her Own—Woodford and Lee Will Finish Their Duties Monday—All Americans Will Leave Havana in Safety—Woodford Confirms Report of No Armistice—Senate Will Adjourn to Monday.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Up to noon today, nothing had occurred which will have any bearing upon the President's message as already prepared, nor will it be changed in any important particular save the unlooked-for event of submission on the part of Spain to the demands of this government. This statement was made at noon by a high official of the government who has full knowledge of the real situation. The intimation given out at Madrid yesterday to the effect that the Queen Regent was about to proclaim an armistice in Cuba and that the indications were that the Spanish government would make important concessions looking to the establishment of peace on a basis of practical Cuban independence is regarded in official circles here as a diplomatic play to gain time. So far as this government is concerned, diplomacy, he stated, has run its course. No negotiations of any character are now pending, nor will they be resumed except at the solicitation of Spain and for the stated purpose of carrying into effect the demands of this government already communicated to the Madrid authorities.

Little evidence of excitement existed when the House met at noon. The House galleries were crowded, but yawning gaps showed in the reserve galleries. Members seemed to have settled down to the conviction that they would have to wait with what patience they could the developments until Monday, when the message, it is said, will go to congress. The chaplain in his invocation, prayed fervently for peace.

Mr. Hull, chairman of the military affairs committee, realizing the opposition to certain features of the army re-organization bill, stated before the consideration of that bill was resumed that at the proper time he would move to strike out everything except the first two sections providing for the three battalion formation. The section providing for the expansion f the regular army in time of war to 104,000 would be stricken out.

THE SENATE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Comparatively little interest was manifested by the people in the proceedings of the Senate. When the vice president's gavel fell at noon, the galleries were scarcely half filled. Mr. Allison (Iowa) moved that when the Senate adjourned today it be to meet on Monday next, and the motion was agreed to.

Consideration of the sundry civil bill was then resumed the question pending being upon an amendment offered by Mr. Pettus (Alabama) to appropriate $200,000 for the improvement of the Mobile harbor in order that warships might reach the wharves to coal and to receive other supplies. It had been pressed by the Alabama Senator as a emergency war measure.

Mr. Pettus in support of his amendment said it had received the approval of the secretary of war.

Mr. Allison in charge of the bill, made a point of order against the amendment although he expressed his entire sympathy with all proper measures for the national defence. He had been given to understand, he said, that if this amendment were adopted, similar amendments, all based upon the idea of national defence would be offered. This would open the entire field of river and harbor improvements. To this appropriation the committee was unanimously opposed, although every member would go to any length in support of the national defence.

Speaking on the subject of the appropriation for Mobile harbor as a matter of defence, Mr. Morgan of Alabama of the foreign relations committee made a speech for Cuba and said he was for a declaration of war and thought there was ample justification for such a measure. Mr. Morgan said Secretary Alger had recommended the improvement of Mobile harbor as a war necessity.

Mr. Allison had telegraphed the secretary regarding this matter. In reply the secretary said he thought it would be well to deepen the harbor at Mobile after the present crisis had passed, but that he was not in favor of doing anything now to deepen the channel, which would allow warships to enter, as it would make one more place to defend.

Mr. White (California) said it was evident that our harbors were not properly defended by fortifications in this emergency, "into which we are so madly rushed."

NO ARMISTICE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—A hitch has occurred in the peace negotiations and the Cuban armistice proclamation will not be issued today as expected.

It is explained that the decisions to which the Spanish government adheres, as announced in the semi-official note, refer to those outlined in the last conference between Governor Woodford and the Spanish ministers.

Minister Woodford however, wired that there was no important action taken and that it had adjourned without accomplishing any material step that would lead to any change in the status or throw new light on the situation. Its tenor was somewhat disappointing in view of the expectation.

PUBLIC MEN TALK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Many public men regard the situation as more critical than it has yet been. The talk of proclaiming an armistice by the Spanish queen, they assert, is futile unless the insurgents accept.

"But even if the Cuban question is settled to the satisfaction of this government," said Senator Carter of Montana today, "there will still remain the Maine affair. The people are very much wrought up over the assassination of sailors in a friendly port and they will demand a satisfactory settlement on that score."

AMERICANS SAFE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Senator Gray of Delaware, a member of the Senate committee on foreign relations, was with the President for some time today. The senator later said he believed that all the Americans who intended to get out of the island would be gotten out safely in due time. He believed that both General Woodford at Madrid and General Lee at Havana would not be at their posts after the opening of next week. He thought the precautions taken by this government and the threatening state of affairs at Havana with relation to the American citizens thought to be imperiled, tended to stimulate the Spanish government to afford better protection. The senator said he did not believe there was any likelihood of an armistice between Spain and the insurgents. Such an act, he said, naturally would have an effect upon the situation, but the mere offer of one unaccepted by the Cubans whatever might be the part it would play in the sentiment of outside powers, would not, in his opinion, change our attitude in any way.

WHITE HOUSE CLOSED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The White House was closed all day and only a few persons gained admission to it. Representative Taylor of Ohio, one of Mr. McKinley's personal adherents in the House talked over the situation with the President and later stated his belief to be that there was no present outlook for a change in the situation before the message goes in on Monday. Representatives Hawley of Texas and Simpson of Kansas both saw the President on personal matters. Senator Elkins made his usual call. Representative Steele of Indiana, who was at the White House for a little while but did not see the President expressed his opinion that Spain would yield to the United States. Secretary Gage arrived shortly before noon and joined his colleagues. While they were together Commander Bradford, chief of the naval bureau of equipment, was summoned and ushered into the meeting to give suggestions. Secretary Long and Commander Bradford remained with the President for a few minutes after the others left.

AWAITING ACTION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The Senate committee on foreign relations did not meet today. This is the first day since the message of the President relative to the Maine was received that the committee or sub-committee had not been in session considering the Cuban situation. The committee can do nothing pending the President's decision.

WHAT WOODFORD BELIEVED

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—Inquiries show that General Woodford yesterday believed this Spain would accept the proposed armistice and that orders to that effect would be immediately promulgated in the Official Gazette. Other diplomats also expected a satisfactory solution of the crisis but at the moment when the cabinet council was commencing, the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gullon, received the following letter from the United States minister:

"Having fruitlessly awaited since noon yesterday for the decision of the Spanish government, it is my duty to announce to you that I will still wait until midnight. I beg of you to kindly communicate before midnight and that this decision may be couched in terms which may prevent the said consequences that I should much regret but which I believe are inevitable if things continue in their present state."

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Crowd Afraid to Take the Assassin.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Lancaster, Pa., April 7.—D. B. Landis, a prominent citizen of this city and president of the Conestoga National bank, was shot and instantly killed by Ralph Wireback, a patent medicine manufacturer. The tragedy resulted from an effort of Landis to dispossess Wireback who rented a house from Landis last year, with the privilege of renewing the lease if the house was not sold. Proceedings were begun to dispossess him, but he had prepared himself by sending his family away and nailing up the doors and windows. Mr. Landis came over to the house and, accompanied by the two constables, he started up stairs to see Wireback. He had not ascended more than two or three steps of the garret stairs when a report was heard and Landis fell back into Constable Graef's arms, the whole top of his head having been blown off. The house is surrounded by officers and a wildly excited crowd but no effort has yet been made to capture the murderer. This, it is feared, cannot be accomplished without further loss of life.

GANLEY HELD IN $500.

James T. Ganley was held in $500 for the Superior court for alleged larceny of $26 from the Nashua Boot & Shoe store in the Nashua police court yesterday.

Frank M. Robitaille was fined $50 in police court yesterday for larceny of a quantity of gold from Frank Hecu, a Middlesex street jeweler. He appealed.

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WILL BUY CHICAGOES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Chicago, April 7.—The Tribune says: "There is a likelihood that by tonight Captain Anson will have raised the amount necessary to buy the Chicago baseball club. Captain Anson is unwilling to give out of the details of his plans until they are brought to a climax. It is explained that there are two or three irons in the fire. As yet Captain Anson is not certain just what plan will be adopted."

WOODFORD'S FAMILY SAFE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—The family of General Woodford, which left this city last night, has arrived at Hendaye, on the frontier and proceeded to Biarritz.

THE TEXAS ARRIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Fort Monroe, Va., April 7.—The battleship Texas steamed into Hampton Roads this morning at 7.30 o'clock and at 8 o'clock dropped anchor with the flying squadron off Fort Monroe.

Commodore Schley has not yet received any definite orders from Washington.

CABLE FROM WOODFORD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—A cablegram was received at the White House today from Minister Woodford containing new information concerning yesterday's cabinet meeting. It was not made public and was said not to be of much significance.

SPANISH MINISTER'S DESPATCH.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The Spanish minister received a telegram from the governor-general at Havana to the effect that the rumors of impending trouble in Havana are absolutely false.

OTHER LATE TELEGRAPHIC NEWS ON PAGES 3 AND 6.

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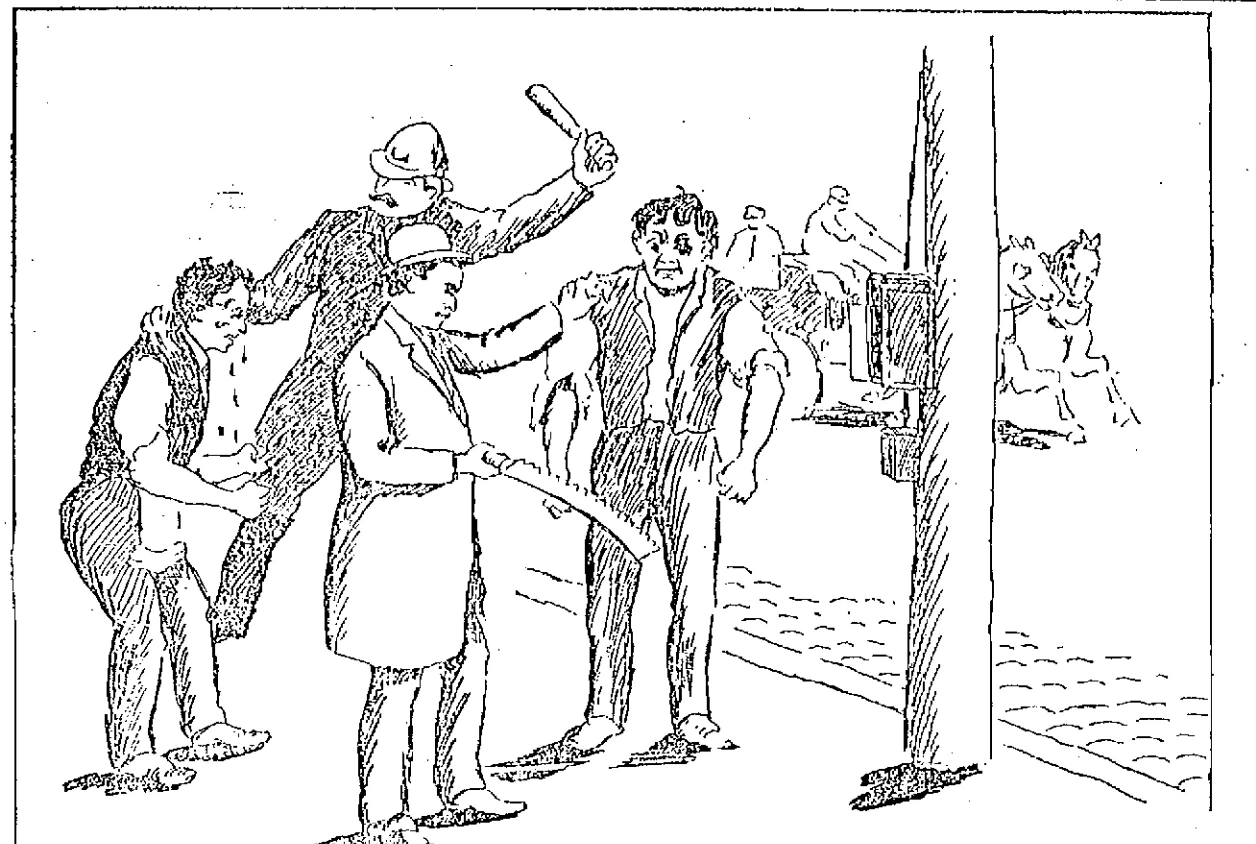

THE MELEE ON MARKET STREET THIS MORNING.

TO OPEN THE MILL GATES

The Treasurers of the New Bedford Mills so Decide.

They are Urged to do so by Priests Whose People are Starving—Employers Say They are Not Anxious to Start Business.

New Bedford, Mass., April 7.—Despite the action of the union of weavers in declaring for a continuance of the strike, the treasurers of the nine cloth mills now on strike, at a meeting last night, unanimously agreed to open the gates Monday morning to such operatives as care to return to work. It is generally believed that a majority of the strikers will go in.

Several days ago two French-Canadian priests waited on the mill men and represented that the suffering among the strikers was pitiable, and that the strikers were not as enthusiastic as they appeared. They were certain that if an opportunity were given, many would seize the chance to go back. These priests urged the manufacturers to make the attempt, and promised to do all they could to persuade the help to bring an end to the suffering.

William W. Crapo, president of the Wamsutta mills, said: "If the help do not care to return to work, or if they make any marked opposition to the return by their brethren, we will again close the gates. We are not anxious ourselves to resume work, but feel that the popular opinion is against a further continuance of the disastrous idleness."

MILL MEN MEMORIALIZE.

Boston, April 7.—A memorial of T. F. Coolidge and others relative to the condition and prospects of the cotton manufacturing industry in Massachusetts was presented in the house yesterday. The memorial is signed by Mr. Coolidge, A. G. Pierce, Charles L. Lovering, Eliot C. Clarke, C. A. Coleman, Eben S. Draper, Harcourt Amory, Thomas E. Brayton, Howard Stockton, Augustus Lowell, George F. Fabyan, A. S. Covel, A. N. Goodale and H. N. Slater, who say that the present conditions and prospects in the cotton industry in this state are sufficiently grave to call for an exhaustive study of the subject. After a review of the situation the memorial concludes:

"If cotton manufacturing in the state becomes unprofitable, one of two things must happen—wages will be reduced, or the business will be abandoned, as has been the case in the iron and glass industries. Either of these consequences would be a great misfortune, which the legislature should, if possible, prevent in the only way in its power: First, by raising the hours of labor at least to the point where they are in every other New England state; and, secondly, by reducing the taxation on manufacturing plants, which is now much in excess of that in high taxed England and in the southern states. The effective way, in our judgment, would be to take off all taxes on machinery, without increasing those on the real estate used for manufacturing purposes.

"The present situation may present itself to some persons as having no deeper significance than a contest between capital and labor, the outcome of which is to be a triumph of one over the other. If this were the truth, there would be no occasion for this communication, and the legislature would have no call to intervene. It is because the difficulty is fundamental and limited to no class of industries in the state that the responsibility in the premises rests upon the representatives of all the people."

TWO-THIRDS ARE READY.

Saco, Me., April 7.—The indications point to a speedy settlement of the three months' strike in the York mill. The backbone of the strike seems to be broken, and it is believed by the business men and the majority of the strikers that if Agent Page consents to open the gates next Monday the mill can be started in every department. Mr. Page is expected home the last of the week, and a committee will then wait upon him and show him a list of names of operatives who have pledged themselves to return under the cut-down. Up to this morning about 1000 out of 1500 had signed the petition, and the leaders of the movement believe that the managers will agree to make another attempt to start the factory when they learn that such a large number are in favor of returning.

Chairman Larabee, who has taken a prominent part in the strike since its inauguration, is opposed to returning under a cut-down. He predicts that the attempt to end the strike will result in a failure and that not as many will go in as on a week ago Monday. He charges the merchants with having done more to encourage the labor war than any one else, and declares that after making great promises of support they had, after a few weeks, gone back on the textile workers, now doing everything in their power to effect a settlement, and charging himself and a few others with having incited the strike.

PILGRIM FATHERS.

Boston, April 7.—All the supreme officers attended the annual session yesterday of the United Order of Pilgrim Fathers. The supreme governor reported 18 new colonies organized in the year and 1550 members initiated. The running expenses of the order have been 77 cents per member, against 83 cents last year.

The secretary's report gave the total membership Dec. 31 as 13,039. The treasurer reported that he had received for the benefit fund $350,197.51 and paid out during 1897 $352,000. There is a balance of over $100,000 in the general fund. The following officers were elected: Governor, J. S. Taft, Keene, N. H.; lieutenant governor, H. S. Treadwell, South Boston; secretary, J. E. Shepard, Lawrence; treasurer, A. V. Bugbee, Lawrence; trustees, John L. Bates and Edward Lincoln of Boston; Frank E. Sleeper of Sebattus, Me.; William I. Thompson of Lawrence, and Jesse H. Harriman of Haverhill.

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WAR DECLARED.

A SAW USED AS A WEAPON ON MARKET STREET.

Early this morning on Market street near Dummer, there was a scene of great excitement. John Klckabocka, a barber carrying on business in one of the stores in that neighborhood had some kind of a difference with one of the employes and in shorter notice than it would take to tell it, the barber opened war with an ugly weapon in the form of a buck saw blade. Officer Buchanan and a couple of other officers came to the scene, but not until one of the men had been assaulted pretty severely. His face was all cut and besmeared with blood and he presented a ghastly appearance in front of the police signal box awaiting the arrival of the hurry-up wagon, when noble Dick Flynn of the Sons of Veterans fame, came to the scene, and as he wears the mantle of authority which entitles him to the privileges of a constable, he exercised that privilege and made a search of the building, which resulted in his bringing to light a wicked looking weapon in the shape of a buck saw the blade of which was besmeared with blood. Dick held firmly to the handle, probably thinking he would lead a regiment of a thousand strong of the Sons of Veterans to Cuba. In a short time there were over a hundred people assembled about the premises and things looked decidedly warlike. Gallant Dick went to the station, also, so that he might explain intelligently to the keeper the state of affairs. The warriors were landed safely at the police station.

Later it was learned that the trouble arose over the wife of the proprietor of the shop, who washes the towels used in the barber shop.

PEOPLE'S CLUB.

The attendance at the Men's branch continues very large. During March there were 4310 visitors to the Men's branch reading room, a nightly average of 161, and 679 books were taken out. The amusement room reported 2926 visitors, an average of 108. In the Women's branch there were 657 visitors, an average of 20. The pupils in the various classes numbered 187.

At the last meeting of the board of government appropriate action was taken on the death of Mrs. David Gove, for many years a director of the club.

TOMORROW'S SUN

There will be an excellent theatrical page in tomorrow's Sun, with stories of Mme. Melba, Mme. Calve, and other talent from over the sea. Arthur Crispin will write of the stage in Gotham.

A desperate looking man, with two drawn revolvers, is not a pleasant person to meet at a lonely cross-road. Most men will go a long way out of their road to avoid such an encounter. The same men will recklessly neglect their health and court death in the guise of consumption or some other equally fatal disease. One-sixth of all the deaths each year are due to this most fatal of maladies.

Until very recent years, consumption was considered absolutely incurable. It is now known to be curable. During the past thirty years it has been demonstrated that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption, if taken in the earlier stages of the disease before the lungs are too much wasted, also bronchitis, asthma, laryngitis and all diseases of all the air-passages. It acts directly on the lungs, driving out all impurities and disease germs. It soothes the cough, facilitates expectoration, thus thoroughly clearing the lungs. It purifies and enriches the blood and tears down, carries off and excretes old, inert, half dead tissues, replacing them with the new, firm, muscular tissues of health. It is the great appetite sharpener, blood-maker, flesh-builder, nerve-tonic and restorative. Thousands who had been given up to die have been restored to complete, robust health by this marvelous medicine. Do not buy from unscrupulous dealers who try to force upon you something beside what you ask for. There is nothing to take the place of it, or, which is "just as good" as "Golden Medical Discovery."

"I had the grip, which left me feeling miserable—no strength and a cough," writes Mrs. C. Maynard, of East Lyme, New London Co., Conn. "As some of my family died with consumption, I was frightened. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. After taking the second bottle I felt much better, and am now well."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

GIFT TO PASTOR

Rev. S. T. Ford Received a Check for $100

FROM BUSINESS MEN OF HIS PARISH.

Meeting of the First Baptist Society.

The First Baptist church society held its meeting last night.

Larkin T. Trull was chosen moderator, and Harry L. Tibbetts clerk for the ensuing year. The report of the treasurer, C. H. Clogston, showed total receipts during the year of $6062.44. All bills are paid and there is a balance on hand of $20.25. The "Penny-a-day" collections amounted to $643.

Officers were elected as follows: Treasurer and collector, Charles H. Clogston; assessors, Henry C. Fuller, Fred J. Flemings, Edward W. Trull, music committee, F. J. Flemings, G. H. Taylor, L. T. Trull; auditors, Warren L. Floyd and A. G. Walsh.

Appropriations were made as follows: Pastor's salary, $2500 and one month's vacation; for music, $1100; for heating, lighting and care of house, a sufficient sum.

The matter of changing or enlarging the house of worship was discussed and some plans were informally presented. It was voted to refer the matter to a special committee of seven as follows: Larkin T. Trull, H. C. Fuller, Rev. S. T. Ford, H. L. Tibbetts, F. A. Bowen, M. Bancroft, A. F. Swanton.

H. C. Fuller, chairman of the board of assessors, presented the pastor, Rev. S. T. Ford, with a purse of $100, in behalf of the business men of the parish. Rev. Mr. Ford returned thanks for the gift.

Mr. Ford will attend the World's Sunday school convention that is held in London in July. He will sail some time in June and will be away five Sundays.

PERSONAL.

Miss Agnes Markham, sister of Councilman Markham, is confined to St. John's hospital by illness.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of patrons of the Old Ladies' Home will meet at the Home Thursday, April 7, at 3 p. m.

Mr. Charles E. Carter was elected a director of the New England Pharmacal company at its second annual meeting in Boston yesterday. The company, which manufactures pharmacal goods, has had a prosperous year.

Fred W. Stickney will spend the next ten days in Washington.

Mrs. August Fels and Miss Anna Fels are in New York during the Easter holidays.

Miss Bryden of Wellesley College is spending her vacation with Mrs. S. F. Whipple, of Berkley avenue.

BANK DIVIDENDS.

Following are the dividends to be paid by the national banks in Lowell:

Bank	Cap'l	Rate.	Am't of Div'd
Appleton	$300,000	2½	$ 7,500
First	250,000	4	10,000
Merchants	400,000	3	12,000
Old Lowell	200,000	2½	5,000
Prescott	300,000	3	9,000
Railroad	400,000	3	12,000
Wamesit	250,000	3	7,500
Traders	200,000	2½	5,000
Total	$2,300,000		$65,000

The seventh annual concert and ball of the Mathew Temperance Institute will be held at Associate Hall, Easter Monday, April 11, 1898. Tickets, $1.00.

John Reardon of Boston is visiting at the home of his brother in Clare street.

Fine job printing done at this office.

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Nerve tonic—Blood Maker. Send for descriptive pamphlet. Sold by druggists everywhere. 50 cents per box—six for $2.50. Dr. Williams' Med. Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

HOW OUR TRUANTS FARE

The New Building at the North Chelmsford Truant School.

Manual Training an Important Branch in This Model Institution—Supt. Warren Can Reform His Pupils and Send Them Home Happy.

"'Tis education forms the common mind;
Just as the twig is bent, the tree's inclined."

Among the rare legacy of beautiful and well-turned couplets bequeathed to posterity by that master of the artificial in poetry, Alexander Pope, no portion of that rich heritage has done more to keep alive the memory of his genius than that quoted above, which when sages yet unheard of shall have passed away, will still be the axiom of frequent quotation.

As the child is reared, so shall the man be, the effect ever reflecting the cause and hence the value of education of any nature.

If it is important to educate the ordinary or general run of children, blessed with the influences of good homes and of fortunate parentage, how much more important is it to educate the large and, in these erratic times, the ever-increasing class of waifs who for whatever cause, find themselves, or are found by others, while yet in their tender years, in sad need of the restraining influences.

These influences are necessary and as one of them, the Middlesex Truant school, which but a few days ago, delighted the legislative committee on education by its facilities for successfully furthering its purpose, is an institution of which Middlesex County should be justly proud. It is the one great public county work that is worth all its expenditures and almost passing strange, its buildings, or one of them, at least, was erected within its appropriation.

But the truant school as a general institution is not the purport of this article, for that has been gone into in the local press before. I merely intend to record a belated visit to the picturesque institution upon North Chelmsford's sentinel hill with particular reference to the new "Cottage building," or addition to the institution but recently opened a cut of which, from the drawing of Stickney & Austin, Lowell's celebrated architects appears elsewhere.

The Truant school was reached last evening just as a lingering winter night was about to shiver itself over the much-chilled landscape. The buildings and their surroundings, even in this season of the year, impress one with their attractiveness, promising a wealth of beauty when Spring shall have been permitted to brighten the fair country about.

The main building is situated on the summit of a hill and the industrial building is to the southeast, slightly in the rear.

The new building, which is called the Cottage building, is situated directly east of the main building at the base of the hill and only 40 feet from the Lowell line. It fronts toward Middlesex street and is approached by spacious, though as yet undeveloped walks. It is a brick structure of colonial style, three and one-half stories high in the center and with two large wings on the sides, these two and one-half stories in height. It cost $25,000 and appears to be worth the money expended upon it.

Passing through the spacious entrance, the visitor finds himself in a large old-fashioned hall with a wide staircase leading to the floor above. Upon the left of the entrance is a cosy reception room for the accommodation of visitors to the inmates, while on the right is a neat little library. Opening from the library is a large, sunny, finely ventilated and lighted school room, with accommodation for 60 pupils. It will be utilized as a class room for the primary grades.

In the center of the building, downstairs, running the width of the building is another and a larger hall, from which the school room opens on the right and the dining room is on the left. This dining room is undoubtedly a revelation to many a poor youngster who contemplates it for the first time, for it is attractive and a model of neatness. As I entered the room with Supt. Warren, whom I forgot to mention kindly volunteered his services as guide, two of the boys were placing the evening meal on the table, preparatory to that great disappearance act which even bad boys must perform three times a day.

No haughty millionaire, in all his travels, ever passed a tip to more careful or neater waiters than these two boys.

Emerging through a door in the dining room, I found myself in an open pantry which connected with a "shining" kitchen.

Here I received a silent shock, for as I looked in I noticed a boy doing some laborius work with a can of most fragrant tea. Another boy went to his assistance whereupon the first youngster responded with, "Thank you, sir." Looking at this young Chesterfield, who did my eyes behold but the familiar face of a little rascal whom I last saw in police court, then a most disreputable specimen of juvenile humanity—dirty, unkempt, indifferent, vulgar, and tougher than William B. D. What a metamorphose! From apparently an incorrigible into a slick young gentleman, and while yet young enough to retain the transformation!

The floors on this floor and in fact throughout the building are of birch, while the finish is of North Carolina pine. In the left wing on the second floor is an airy dormitory, with 28 comfortable iron beds. This room is lighted by incandescent lights, as are the other rooms, the control of the light being in the matron's room, which opens into it. In the opposite wing is a large family sitting room where the boys in the evening, before retiring, may enjoy the same pleasures which are found in all well regulated families. Here they are in company with their teachers and are made to forget that they are the wards of the county by the kind and homelikee attention given them.

In the rear on the second floor, opening from the dormitory, is a large clothes room and closets. On the third floor is another dormitory of 28 beds, also in charge of a teacher.

Going into the basement, one finds a large boiler room, a well appointed wash room, each boy having his own towel, a mammoth bath room with those indispensable contrivances of the boys' baths, the shower, a spacious playroom and another clothes-room, wherein the boys, upon entering the house after their day's schooling, change their heavy shoes for house slippers.

The building seems thoroughly well appointed and just the proper kind of home for wayward boys. It has been occupied but a week and has about 50 inmates, the main building having a similar number. The boys assist in the care of the houses, the washing, laundry, cooking, etc., under competent and solicitous teachers, besides attending school, an important feature of which is the manual training school department.

This department occupies a large room on the second floor of the second, or industrial building, whither I went with the superintendent. Here are 15 thoroughly equipped work benches, where classes of 15 boys devote two hours a day to the great educational feature which is fast becoming justly popular. The teacher is Miss Vesey, a graduate of Larson's celebrated school. Along the walls are a number of surprisingly fine specimens of the work done, the useful vieing with the ornamental in the artisticness of its execution. Speaking with me on the subject of manual training, Supt. Warren said: "The department of manual training is the great adjunct of an institution of this character. Nothing equals it in developing a dull boy. It trains his eye, hand, and mind, and moreover gives him that confidence in himself which forms the great incentive for mental improvement. The boy who dislikes his studies in the schoolroom, when placed in a manual training school invariably overcomes his dislike of text books in a very short time and exercises a thirst for knowledge, for when he finds that he can actually make something, he is inspired with confidence in himself, and henceforth begins to aim higher. Everything made by the boys is made from drawings and thus they are benefitted by a knowledge of free-hand drawing. Then it leads to seek a greater knowledge of mathematics for as their drawings compel them to make numerous measurements, they are constantly given practical illustrations of mathematical problems, particularly in the fractional lines and they then become interested in that study. We intend soon to introduce wood-carving into this department and to teach that valuable trade.

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W. P.	.25
Centralville	.25
A Woman	.25
Joseph Ashton	.50
James Donnelly	1.00
Total	$17.51

BOWLING NEWS.

Teams Two and Three rolled a tie game at the Highland club alleys last night and another box for each was rolled resulting in the defeat of Team Three, 76 to 80. The score:

Team Two—Runels, 477; Galer, 493; Startevant, 410; Kilgore, 360; Cheney, 450; totals, 2229.

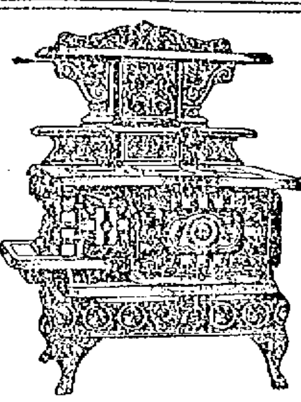
Team Three—Wellman, 472; Ward, 497; Tryder, 420; Hanson, 420; Pepin, 420; totals, 2229.

FINGERS MANGLED.

John Sweeney, residing on Robeson street, got one of his fingers caught in a napping machine at the Hamilton mills yesterday and amputation may be necessary.

CHURCH CONTRACT AWARDED.

At the adjourned meeting of the Pawtucket church parish last night the contract for the building of the new church was awarded to Thomas H. Connell of this city for $20,744.



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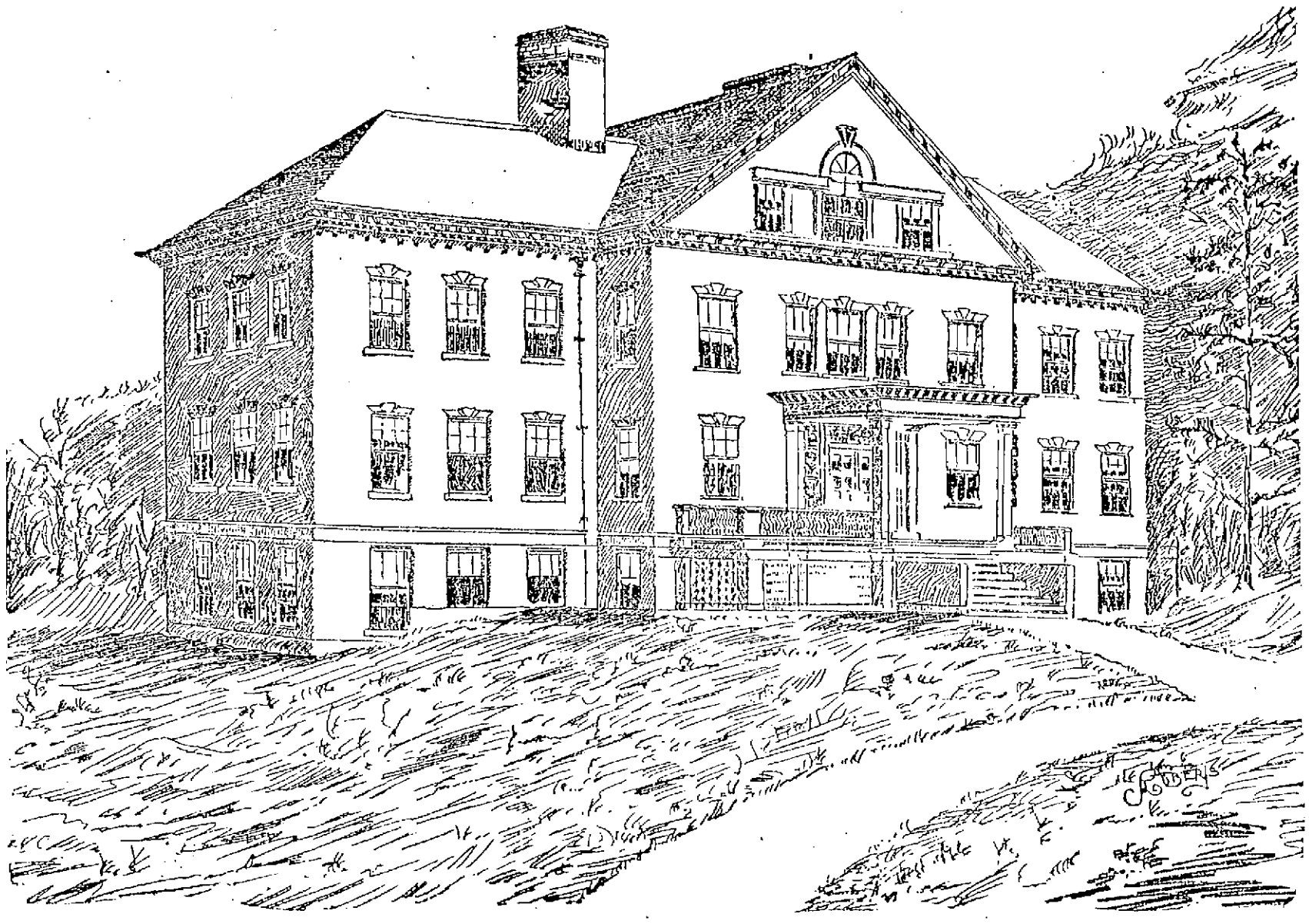

THE NEW MANUAL COTTAGE AT THE NORTH CHELMSFORD TRUANT SCHOOL.—(See Page 2.)

THE SUN EXTRA!

5 O'CLOCK.

SPAIN IS NOW UNDECIDED

Wavering Between War and Peace but Strengthening Her Fleet.

Telegram From Rome Considered at Special Session of Cabinet—Americans Safe at Havana—Affairs Quiet at Washington.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—Great disappointment is experienced at the United States legation at the hitch, now pronounced to be serious, which seems to have occurred last night. The Spanish cabinet met at five o'clock and was in session for several hours, but the meeting ended without an announcement that the Cuban armistice proclamation would be issued today. The Austrian ambassador, Count Dubsky, had another conference with the United States Minister Woodford last night.

It is still hoped here that President McKinley's message to Congress has been postponed that the original programme will be carried out.

FALL IN STOCKS.

Barcelona, April 7.—Spanish fours which closed at 67.80 were quoted today at 68.30.

SUPPLIES FOR WAR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Key West, Fla., April .—The Mallory Line steamer Comal arrived here this morning from New York with large quantities of provisions and ammunition for the government.

CABINET MYSTERIES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7, 1.32 a. m.—There appears to be much mystery connected with last night's events. It seems that after the regular cabinet meeting had adjourned and Premier Sagasta had returned home, the Papal Nuncio, Mgr. Nava, in company with the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gullon, arrived with a communication from Rome. This was considered of such importance that the other ministers were summoned and remained in consultation until 1.30 a.m. It is said the result to their deliberations was telegraphed to Rome, from which it was cabled to the United States.

AMERICANS SAFE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—A cablegram from Consul General Lee, received this morning, announces that 200 Americans have taken their departure from the island and that all is quiet in Havana. After a conference with the President, Representative Grosvenor stated today that there would be no change of any importance, at least in the message intended for submission yesterday unless there is a change of facts, which was not at all likely.

CABINET MEETING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Madrid, April 7.—The Cabinet ministers at their meeting yesterday evening, decided to appoint a committee to organize and superintend the national subscription to increase the strength of the fleet. A semi-official note issued after adjournment of the affair, says: "We considered every aspect of the situation, on the information of the foreign and colonial ministers and especially in the light of the representative of the ministers of war and marine. The outcome of the deliberations was the adhesion of the government to all its previous decisions without modification and resolutions to that effect were adopted.

During the sitting the foreign minister made several visits to the palace.

HAWAIIAN CALAMITY.

A VOLCANO HAS BROKEN OUT, TERRIFYING NATIVES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., April 7.—Great excitement prevails in the Hawaiian islands, according to passengers who arrived on the steamer Alameda. Two weeks ago the lava in Mauna Loa, from the observations taken at the signal station on the mountain depth 100 feet, and shortly afterward smoke was seen issuing from the crater sometimes in great volume and then again in short jets. The natives were terribly excited over the occurrence and prophesied when the Alameda left that in twelve days there would be a great eruption. For two weeks earthquakes had prevailed, terrifying the people.

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SPANISH TROOPS

Surprised and Massacred in the Philippines

HARD FIGHTING BETWEEN THE SPANIARDS AND REBELS.

Insurgents Suffer a Heavy Loss.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Vancouver, B. C. April 7.—From the latest reports from Hongkong, it is learned there have been very exciting times in the Phillipines, the Spanish troops being surprised and massacred. The Bolina staff of the eastern extension telegraph were recently beseiged for five days on account of Spanish soldiers taking refuge there. From a Spanish gunboat marines were landed and the station was opened after hard fighting between the detachment and the rebels. Two days afterward the British cruiser Edgar arrived. At the same time General Monet and one thousand men arrived overland. General Monet said he had five engagements between Bolina and Lingayen. The insurgents suffered heavy loss and the Spanish losses were one lieutenant and one soldier. The garrison and the priests of the neighboring village had been killed, only six soldiers managing to escape.

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A UNIQUE SCOOP

By the Enterprise of the Daily News,

HOW FAKE JOURNALISM DECEIVES THE PUBLIC.

The Sun Alone Gives the Latest News.

It is about time The Sun should do something to show up the fake journalism by which the Lowell public is deceived at the present day. The instances of such imposition are too numerous to be mentioned seriatim. It would take a larger paper than The Sun to recount them all. Indeed, these articles have been so common of late that they are largely accepted by the unsuspecting as the genuine and reliable article. Let me first take the examples of a single day in a single paper, the Lowell Daily News.

On an electric car yesterday afternoon, I saw a man reading the Lowell News and after he had greedily devoured the "war news" therein, he turned to a friend and said: "Well, I see the President has sent in his message today asking for armed intervention in Cuba."

"Oh, no, he hasn't," replied the other.

"Why, certainly he has. Here is a special despatch to the News which says so," rejoined the News reader, as he held up the paper and pointed to the alleged "special."

The gentleman addressed took the News, and sure enough, read the following on the front page, under the head "LATEST."

CUBAN INTERVENTION

President's Message Recommends That Only.

[Special to THE NEWS.]

Washington, April 6.—The President's message is now being read in congress.

The scene was a repetition of the day the report of the board of inquiry was admitted. In both houses the galleries are crowded and the corridors thronged with a jostling mass of excited people.

The President does not recognize Cuban independence, but only recommends intervention.

(The text of the message will be found in later editions of The News.)

But this was not all. On the fifth page of the same paper was a four-column picture of the House of Representatives in session and underneath was the line indicating what the scene represented—"THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE IN THE HOUSE." Long before this edition of the News was put on the street, The Sun had bulletined the fact that the President's message would not be given to congress and in the first edition of The Sun, it was stated that the message was promised for 1.30 or 2 p. m., and that it might be postponed to Thursday. That was all that could be reported at 1 o'clock. It covered the situation exactly, but after a conference between the President and the leaders in congress, the final decision that it would not be submitted till Monday was given out. This was bulletined by The Sun and immediately after, the News got out another edition with the statement copied from The Sun bulletin.

On the editorial page of the News of yesterday we read the following legend:

THE NEWS HAS ALL THE FACILITIES FOR GETTING THE LATEST NEWS, WAR OR PEACE, BY TELEGRAPH.

The News seems to have excellent facilities for "Specials," manufactured in the office, or in vulgar parlance "Faked," to be passed off for genuine despatches.

The Sun has the full telegraphic service of the Associated Press for the afternoon and has it exclusively, so that no paper in this city except The Sun can obtain the text of the message if given to congress during the day.

The Sun has its telegraphic operators at work during the entire day in its own office on a special loop from the leased wire from the Associated Press and is fully covered on all happenings of importance in every part of the civilized world. In its three daily editions is to be found the best service of news, both local and telegraphic that can be found in any paper in the United States.

Those who buy Boston or New York papers in hopes of getting the latest news of the world, or of the relations between Spain and the United States are no better off than if they bought the Lowell News. They simply throw their money away. When you see anybody buying the News, the New York or Boston papers in the afternoon to find the latest telegraphic news, you can make up your mind at once that that person is ignorant of the distance these papers are behind the time. The New York papers as a rule, are from twenty to twenty-four hours behind The Sun. None of the afternoon papers, except The Sun has anything but the "pony" service of the Associated Press, which is always late and is very limited. The Sun has more real live news on its bulletins than you can find in all the afternoon Lowell papers put together.

The New York Journal, yesterday's edition, that was printed at 11 o'clock on the previous night, of course, said that the President's message would be given to Congress at 1 p. m. yesterday

The night edition of that paper which reaches Lowell about 6 o'clock also announced that the message would be read and proceeded to give the gist of the document, as if the Journal had been privileged to read the message before it was given to the public. The Journal, no doubt, got its information from the same source from which the News obtained its "Special."

The New York World, as usual, was a little behind the Journal and in this case was so much more fortunate, but it also announced that the President's message would be read.

The News can be relied upon to give a full account of any warlike move at the Dracut Navy yard but for anything further away than Dracut or Frogtown, you will have to read The Sun if you want the latest news.

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SUN EXTRA

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A CLEVER TRICK

By Which Two Lowell Crooks Get Money

FROM J. W. CONNOR'S STORE IN NASHUA.

One of Them Arrested in Lowell.

James Gauley, who was arrested in this city, was taken to Nashua yesterday. The Nashua Telegraph has the following account of the robbery in which it is alleged he was concerned:

"A bold robbery took place in the store of the Nashua Boot and Shoe company at 8.10 Monday evening.

"The robbers worked the scheme in this way. Two men entered the store while a third kept watch on the outside. While one man engaged the attention of Manager J. W. Connor, who was alone in the store at the time, the second opened the cash drawer, grabbed some $25 in bills which were in the drawer and the two quietly left the store. The robber did not attempt to take the silver which was in the drawer doubtless because he was afraid of making a noise in gathering this up and perhaps he thought there was not sufficient time to secure it. Mr. Connor did not have his suspicions aroused until he went to take his money out of the drawer at closing time and found that he had been robbed.

The matter was then reported to the police but the men had disappeared. There is a bell on the cash drawer but the man must have had a pretty good idea of the combination which allows the drawer to open without ringing the bell, for he made no noise and did the job so quickly that it proves he must be an adept at such tricks.

"That the men had planned earlier in the day to do the job is very evident, for they visited the store in the afternoon. While one tried to sell a gold medal to the clerk the other two were sizing up the store and getting the lay of the place preparatory to making a raid on the cash drawer. The man did not sell the medal to the clerk, and left the store after a little time. The description of the men given by the clerk tallies with that of Mr. Connors. The clerk had stepped out on an errand when the man came in and stole the money in the evening, and Mrs. Connors had just gone home and thus left the store with only Mr. Connor present giving a clear field to the man who rifled the cash drawer while his companion kept Mr. Connor busy. It was an old trick, but worked in this case to perfection.

When the men left the store, the clerk was just returning and he saw them quietly proceeding up the street, but he had no occasion to pay particular attention to them.

Earlier in the evening the men visited the shop of J. H. Kelley on Factory street. They had a couple of gold medals which they tried to pawn. They were the same medals that they attempted to sell to the clerk at the Nashua Boot & Shoe store. Mr. Kelley would not give the men the price they demanded for the medals and they grew abusive. He ordered them out of his place and had some little scuffle at the door with one of the men. He recognized two of the men as Lowell crooks and told the men that he knew them. The name of one of the men is Moranigan and the name of the second Mr. Kelley has forgotten, while the third was a stranger to him. He states that they are dangerous thieves and that they have a bad record in Lowell, which two of them claim as their home. He gave a description to the police and all the information in regard to the men that he knew. The Lowell officers were notified to be on the lookout for the men and this morning sent word to the police here that they had captured a man that answers to the description of one of the trio.

Deputy Marshal Wheeler, Inspector Flood and Mr. Connor went to Lowell this morning to investigate the matter and see if Mr. Connor could identify the man. If one has been captured, there is good reason to believe the other two will be caught also.

"So far as can be learned the men did not visit any other stores in town and did not steal anything but the money at the one store .

"The officers found that the Lowell police had captured one of the men and Mr. Connor identified him. He was brought to this city and will be tried tomorrow morning."

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SPINNERS' MEET

Action Taken at the Boston Convention.

MR. DELEHANTY GETS RING SPINNERS ADMITTED.

Important Movement by the United Bodies.

At the semi-annual convention of the National Mule Spinners' association at 721 Washington street, yesterday, it was voted to admit the ring frame spinners. The situation at New Bedford was taken up and the treasurer reported a large sum of money on hand. It was voted that the spinners in that city should continue the strike.

The secretary was instructed to investigate the Taftville strike, in which 600 people are involved, and it was resolved to raise funds for the strikers of Androscoggin, Me.

The delegate representing the spinners of Lawrence stated that wages in the Atlantic mills of that city had been reduced until they had become lower than the wages of spinners in any other New England textile center. Secretary Rees was appointed to investigate the complaint.

Reports were received from various districts on the opening day of the convention and the general tone indicated that in most cases where there had been a cut-down, the average cut had been from 7 to 10 per cent. Holyoke's delegates reported that the cut in their district had been small. Fall River reported that it had been 11½ per cent. Taunton reported no reduction. Waltham reported a cut of 4 per cent, Biddeford, 10 per cent., Brunswick, 11½ per cent., and Lewiston about 10. Dover and Somersworth delegates reported no cut.

Manchester had been cut about 10 per cent., and the delegate from that district furnished the surprising news that seven pairs of new mules were recently put in for the spinning of hosiery yarn. The surprise in this connection is wholly due to the fact that the impression has prevailed that the tendency has been to decrease rather than increase the number of mules for the spinning of hosiery yarn. It was said that about 40 of these mules were to be put in at Manchester.

Rhode Island delegates reported a 10 per cent. cut in the Slater's mills, and 8 per cent at Manville. At Taftville there had been a cut of 10 per cent. and some of the operatives had struck.

The delegate from Lowell brought up the question of the advisability of changing the law of the organization so as to admit the ring spinners. This latter class comprises boys and girls who run certain machinery in opposition to the mule machines operated by men. The proposition was very ably supported by the Lowell and Fall River delegates

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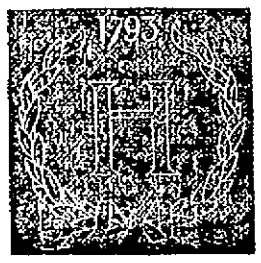

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Ladies run to bonnets at Easter too lovely to look at and to balance their attractions we offer the most elegant in Spring Headgear in all the latest shapes, colors, shades and styles. Our fine Pearl Fedora at 95c is a cracker jack. It is sold by other folks as great value for $1.50. We have an elegant Black, Brown and Pearl Fedora for 50c. They're swell looking hats. $1 would be considered cheap for them, but we want to keep at the head of the procession; that's why we are hustling, always hustling.

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In the estimation of the people of this country, President McKinley has dwindled down to a mere exclamation point.

If a war should break out, the newspaper men, we presume, as usual, would demand a front place. Brother Hearst, of course, would be the standard bearer in war as in peace.

Mr. Bryan says that humanity dedemands the intervention of the United States in Cuban affairs. If Bryan were president his first message would have settled the whole trouble.

President McKinley seems inclined to believe that the insurgent government in Cuba is intangible and difficult to locate. The insurgent government is visionary, to be sure, but for that matter the government of the island by Spain is very little better. If the President fails to recognize the insurgent government, he cannot fail to condemn the Spanish regime as it has been exemplified in Cuba for the past three years.

The strikers at New Bedford after a long and trying struggle are reported to be about to close the contest and go back to work. The strike may end in defeat, to be sure, but it has taught the mill owners a lesson they will not soon forget. It has given a salutary lesson not only to the manufacturers of New Bedford, but to those of Lowell, Lawrence, and the other mill cities of New England. The strikers have suffered much in the cause of honest labor and to secure a fair day's pay, and although they go back to work under the cut-down, their struggle will eventually be crowned with success.

Somebody has said that the small dog is considerably troubled in keeping the moon and the earth in their respective positions, and in a similar manner it might be said that the Boston Herald has a great deal of trouble in keeping congress in check. The Herald is for peace at any price. It is even opposed to the building of war vessels. It would probably be in favor of hiring a European army to do our fighting, as it seems to believe that there is neither statesmanship nor valor on this side of the Atlantic. The best thing the Herald could do would be to move over to London where it could see its cherished ideals in operation on all sides.

A writer in a magazine says that inside of three hundred years, the only languages spoken upon the globe will be the English, Russian and Chinese. We take exception to the last named for the reason that the Chinese is not likely to spread beyond the limits of the celestial empire, and when that empire is dismembered, which according to the present outlook it will be within a short period of years, then the Chinese language will give place to some other more perfect and expressive. Already the Chinese Empire has begun to decay, and in less than a single decade it will be divided between England, Russia, Japan and Germany. As for the predominance of the English and Russian languages, there seem to be good grounds for the supposition, but yet there are as good grounds for supposing that the German or the French language will live as long and be as widely spoken as will be the Russian. At present, the English language is the most universally spoken and is likely to be so for many centuries to come.

CHOICE OF ALTERNATIVES.

There are various courses open to the United States in opposing Spain. The first and most natural would be to demand indemnity for the destruction of the battleship Maine, and to make war with Spain if the indemnity be not paid. The second is to recognize the belligerency of the insurgents. This would put the latter on an equal footing with Spain so far as purchasing supplies and ammunition in this country is concerned, but would not necessarily involve war. The third would be to recognize the independence of Cuba. This would necessitate the appointment of a minister to the new republic and as such minister would require protection from Spanish hostility, the United States would be obliged to go to war with Spain.

What is now proposed is armed intervention to stop hostilities in Cuba. Such intervention will require the presence of an American army to prevent further warfare between the armies of Spain and Cuba. It will not be sufficient to prevent the Spaniards from hostile movements; the United States must also prevent the insurgents from capturing cities now in possession of Spain. How long could this intervention be maintained? Indefinitely? Not likely. When United States intervention should cease then Spain and Cuba would resume hostilities with as much venom as before the intervention. If the United States without recognizing the independence of Cuba, sends an army to stop hostilities in Cuba, it will be attacked by the insurgents on one side and by the Spaniards on the other. This will put the United States under the necessity of fighting Spain and Cuba at the same time. Hence, it is best either to recognize Cuban independence and strike a blow to Spanish rule on the island or let matters in Cuba rest as at present and bring Spain to account for destroying the Maine. To grant the Cubans belligerent rights would solve the whole difficulty as it would enable the insurgents to drive the Spaniards out of the island.

WHAT BOSTON EDITORS SAY.

Boston, April 7.—The Boston Post holds: "For the United States to take any step whatever to deprive the Cuban revolutionists of the fruits of their long and persistent struggles for liberty, for which so much Cuban blood has been shed and so many thousand Cuban lives sacrificed, would be a preceding disgraceful beyond all conception. We do not believe it would be tolerated by the American people. For our part, we think it is the business of this country to promote the cause of human freedom; but to place any impediment in its way would be to be false to all our traditions. To intimate that President McKinley has any such idea is a gratuitous insult to him."

"Intervention, active, emphatic," The Journal insists, "is the policy to which the president's mind is made up. If Spain yields, it must be between today and Monday, for to all intents and purposes President McKinley has already delivered his ultimatum."

The Advertiser treats of Spain's case as argued by the minister in Washington as follows: "The American people agree with the Spanish minister that to appeal to war unnecessarily 'would be too wanton, too criminal, too offensive to all the dictates of civilization and christianity;' but if war comes it will only be because Spain shall have ignored 'all the dictates of civilization and christianity.' Not one step has the United States taken that has not been made absolutely necessary by the brutal indifference of the Spanish government in Cuba to all the appeals of civilization and christianity."

The Globe says: "'Stand by the president' may be good advice, but some people are having hard work to find out just where the president stands, preparatory to taking up their position by him."

MEN'S LEAGUE OFFICERS.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Men's league of the Paige Street Free Baptist church, held last evening, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing six months: Vice president, D. P. Knowlton; secretary, Elmer Brennan; treasurer, W. A. Brown. The election of president was deferred until the next regular meeting.

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THE LEGISLATURE

Fraternal Orders Discussed at Length.

BILL TO PROHIBIT DEDUCTION FROM WAGES.

A Race of Two Vessels to China.

Boston, April 7.—The act relating to fraternal beneficiary associations provoked a good deal of discussion in the house yesterday, but was finally passed with but minor amendments, while the adverse report on the petition to compel fire insurance companies to pay full damage if covered by the policy, remains as unfinished business for today.

The committee on roads and bridges has reported an appropriation of $600,000 for state highways, $400,000 to be spent in 1898; but the whole amount may be contracted for.

A bill was reported by the labor committee to prohibit deductions in the wages of women and minors who are paid by the day or hour, employed in manufacturing or mechanical establishments, for time during which machinery stopped, provided that the women and minors are confined in the establishments. The penalty is from $20 to $50.

A RACE TO CHINA.

New York, April 7.—A deal was made a few days ago at this port by the captains of two sailing vessels as to which would reach Shanghai, China, first, the stake being $500. The British ship, Atlanta, cleared the bar at 12 o'clock noon yesterday and the other, the British bark, Beeswing, cleared 10 minutes later. The voyage under ordinary circumstances takes about three months.

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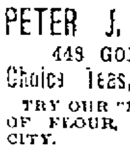

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THE SUN LATEST!

6 O'CLOCK.

MESSAGE A CLOSED PAPER

McKinley so Announced to His Callers Today.

He is Conscious of Criticism Passed on Administration—Assistant Secretary Day Says Lee Will Leave Cuba by Saturday—All Americans Will be Gone by That Time.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—Up to late in the forenoon there had not been any important developments bearing on the situation. President McKinley announced to some of his callers that he regarded his message to Congress as a closed document unless there is an unexpected radical change in the existing situation. Mr. McKinley is said to be conscious of the criticism passed on the administration for delay of action, but said he expected it would follow. Assistant Secretary Day, after a conference with the President this morning said he expected Consul General Lee would leave Cuba by Saturday. He said the Americans on the island were being gotten off rapidly and about Saturday he believed the situation would permit General Lee to vacate his post and return to the United States.

QUEEN'S APPEAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

London, April 7.—It is reported that the Queen Regent of Spain has again appealed to Queen Victoria direct, asking the latter to exert her influence to avert war and, it is added touchingly recalling the fact that both Victoria and herself are widows and deprived of advisers."

A NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The President remains firm in his determination to forcibly intervene in Cuba if necessary to put an end to hostilities and to secure tranquility and a most stable government on the island. This information from a high source clearly indicates that a naval demonstration against Havana has been considered and is almost certain to be made within the next few days unless Spain yields and if this demonstration results in war, the President is ready to accept the issue. A cabinet officer today said: "Why are we hurrying Americans out of Cuba, except that their lives will be in danger after the President's message has gone to congress and its purpose is known to the Cubans. That is the reason, and the only one."

This government, it is further stated, has learned to distrust much that comes even from the financial sources at Madrid and from now on actions and not words, a member of the cabinet declared, will determine our policy.

RICHARD J. FLYNN, Who is Organizing a Volunteer Company of the Sons of Veterans.

Richard J. Flynn, who is organizing the young volunteers, is the son of Michael Flynn, who served in the 16th Mass. Reg't, Co. G., and for one year and nine months in Battery F, Artillery. Mr. Flynn desires to get a regiment of sons of veterans together, to go to the front if necessary. At the last meeting of the volunteers, Mr. Gilman, commander of Camp Farragut, S. of V., was chosen temporary chairman, and Lieut. Leonard of Camp Farragut, temporary secretary. At the meeting tomorrow night, it is hoped that all sons of veterans will be present. There are 1000 sons of veterans in this city, and Mr. Flynn thinks he should be able to get at least 1500 of them into his regiment.

ROTHSCHILD'S GIFT

Will Present a Cruiser to Spanish Government.

HIS WARMEST LOVE IS WITH SPAIN.

Wild Reports in the Paris Papers.

Madrid, April 7.—The Paris correspondent of the Paris Telegraph, said that he had an interview with Baron Rothschild yesterday, who is alleged to have informed him that he was purchasing a cruiser to present to Spain, that country having "his warmest love and sympathy."

The Pais also furnished its readers with further startling information last night. It was to the effect that a mob had broken loose in Washington, that the Spanish legation had been attacked and that the Spanish minister escaped by jumping through a window and that the arms of Spain were torn down.

LEWISTON STRIKE ENDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Lewiston, Me., April 7.—At twenty minutes to five o'clock Wednesday afternoon the strikers at the Androscoggin mill voted to return to work on Thursday morning. The agent made no promises and the men and women returned at the cut down wages.

The machinery was not all started, but will be by Monday. The strike has lasted eleven weeks and the loss in wages is $10,000. About twenty strikers refused to go to work and will find employment elsewhere.

SUPPER TO MR. BATEMAN.

An enjoyable time was held by the members of Highland lodge, I.O.O.F., last evening. The lodge, after the regular business gave a complimentary supper to Past Grand John F. Bateman, who is one of the leaders of the party of 16 or more, including George H. Manning, soon to leave for the Klondike. The committee in charge consisted of Secretary Howard C. Moore, Past Grands John W. Jones, G. P. Sanborn, and Frank C. Nichols.

After the supper, which was served by Littlefield, Secretary Moore called to order and introduced Past Grand Roland Rowell, now of Manchester, N. H., as master of ceremonies. He paid a feeling tribute to Past Grand Bateman.

Other tributes of honor were paid by Worthy Grand Master E. W. Chadbourne, Noble Grand Byam, Past Grands Jones, A. L. Russell, Clark, O. D. Wilder, E. P. Sanborn, Foster, and O. E. Warren, Secretary Moore, and Ralph B. Lyman.

DEATHS.

BUTLER—Thomas F. Butler, aged 33 years, died last evening at his home, 5 Howard Place, off Appleton street. He leaves a wife and four children. He was a moulder by trade and was a past chief ranger of Court Middlesex, F. of A. Funeral tomorrow afternoon.

DAMAGES WANTED

By Many Who Have Claims Against the City.

PATRICK HAND SAYS HIS ATTORNEY LEFT HIM.

Because He Refused to Vote For Him.

The principal claim heard by the committee on claims last night was that of Henry L. Adams of Westford, to whom a hearing was given at the last meeting of the committee, on his petition for compensation for personal injuries and damage to wagon sustained by collision with a stepping stone in Chelmsford street in front of the Davis property, was re-opened and Nathaniel Davis was called to explain the position of the stepping stone in question.

The accident happened October 22 last year.

Mr. Davis told of Mr. Adams coming to him on crutches and telling him of the accident. He spoke at the time of his face having been hurt, but it didn't show marks.

Damages of $1000 is claimed in this case.

Patrick Hand, an old- white-haired gentleman, formerly in the employ of the city since 1848 as a laborer, claimed damage for personal injuries sustained in 1894 while collecting sweepings in Lilley avenue.

He was 21 weeks in bed as a consequence of his broken leg. He said he didn't bring his claim up before because his attorney, who is a politician, had refused to put it in when he voted against him in a caucus.

Mary A. White asks for compensation for injuries received by a fall in Hudson street, the sidewalk at the place being in poor condition.

Miles Veevers John Gorman and Henry H. Roberts said the sidewalk was in bad condition.

Frank E. McNabb, by his attorney, C. H. Cosgrove, claimed $75 damages for injury to shoe front caused last December by the running of a city team into and smashing the window.

A. L. Russell and E. P. Sanborn asked for the payment of a bill of $35 for damage caused by water backing up into the sewer drains and causing them to burst in the cellars of the claimants situated in Howard street.

City Engineer Bowers said they entered the sewer in 1889 and he didn't see how the manhole 11 feet below could affect them.

The committee on sewers held a meeting late yesterday afternoon to consider a request that the direction of the sewer begun in Wentworth avenue be changed so as to accomodate a part of Parkview avenue. After discussing of the matter it was decided to keep to the original lines through Wentworth avenue.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

WITHOUT A HOME

Sad Plight of Former Lowell Girl.

DRIVEN FROM HOME WITH HER BABY.

She Found Shelter in Tewksbury.

"I walked the streets in the storm yesterday and slept in the hallway of a block last night; and the child nor I haven't tasted food since day before yesterday."

This narration may be a slight exaggeration of the actual condition of things, but the statement is word for word as Maggie Hannon told it in the police station yesterday forenoon, says the Lawrence Sun.

Marshal Murphy got word by telegraph that a woman with a child in her arms was wandering the streets and Inspector Sheehan was sent out after her and escorted her and the child to the station and it was then she made the above leading statement.

Maggie had a ticket to Tewksbury and a letter to the superintendent of the almshouse there, which were furnished by Clerk Kiley of the Board of Overseers. She should have gone Tuesday, but was so dazed with exposure and hunger that she couldn't locate the depot.

Twenty-one years ago Maggie was born at Lowell and moved here with her parents when she was eight years old. Her father disappeared soon after and her mother, crazed with grief, sought solace in the asylum at Danvers.

Maggie then went to live with a Mrs. Langdon on Elm street, and worked in the Pacific mill. When she was 19 Maggie met Joseph Kaneen who then worked at the Franklin House and her troubles began.

She said the fellow promised to marry her and blinded by his protestations of love and promises she succumbed to the prompting of human instincts.

After the child was born Maggie went back to work in the mill, but her past followed her there and the overseer discharged her under the pretext of neglecting her work.

With money gone, without food or prospects, the landlady put her out on the street Tuesday morning and Maggie, with her child in her arms, walked the streets until overcome by sheer exhaustion and hunger, she crept into the hallway and sought the freedom of unconsciousness.

It is believed by some that the insane woman named Bridget Hannon who turned up in the police station last night is the mother of the unfortunate girl. If so another co-incident is noted.

MATRIMONIAL.

Godin W. Gardner, son of Theodore F. Gardner, and Miss Lizzie Hokes were united in marriage last evening by Rev. Smith T. Ford.

MAYNARD—NORRIS.

At the Paige Street Free Baptist church parsonage, last evening, Mr. Elmer E. Maynard and Miss Eliza L. Norris were united in marriage by Rev. A. E. Wilson. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard wish them much happiness and prosperity.

Canton Pawtucket, Patriarchs Militant, entertained about 50 Lawrence members of Canton Agawam at their hall in this city last night.

POLICE COURT.

This was suburban day at court, for among the seven drunks in, two were from Dracut, one from North Acton, and one from West Billerica. All were fined.

Christian Hansen and ——— Barbarian, two Armenians, were fined $10 for disturbing the peace.

William and Simeon Lavigne, two Canadians who, it is alleged, assaulted old Julius Coldman because he belonged to the race which persecuted the Saviour, were continued until Tuesday for trial.

Instead of shovelling smoke, as all gas house men are popularly supposed to do for a living, two of them had a growl bright and early yesterday morning, when John L. Stevens, head bricklayer for the company, swat David Peters, assistant engineer, on the cheek. Peters claimed that Stevens called him a "Scotch" bad name, while Stevens retorted that Peters called him a "Yankee" bad name. Stevens was fined $25, and was placed under $100 bonds to keep the peace for six months.

Joseph Martin was in for non-support of his wife. The latter said that she and her five children had been half starved during the winter and if her husband would only give her five dollars a week, she would not only keep the family in comfort, but would save money. Martin was given a chance to do better.

Bridget Hannon, an insane woman, applied at the police station for lodging last night. She got it.

A lost boy who says his name is "George Rowe" is at the police station, awaiting "an owner."

A BIG FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Great Barrington, Mass., April 7.—A stable and store house owned by John A. Brewer were burned this morning, together with twenty wagons and a large amount of tools and feed. The cause of the fire is unknown. The loss is about $35,000.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

The weather indications for the ensuing twenty-four hours are as follows: Fair weather tonight and Friday; westerly winds.

FLAHERTY'S CHANCE.

Martin Flaherty has received an offer for a fight with his old rival, George Dixon and he will accept the offer. Yesterday he received the following letter:

April 5, 1898.

Mr. Flaherty:—

Let me know at once if you will meet Dixon; 20 rounds for 50 per cent. with $1000 guarantee, here in New Haven. April 27. Answer by wire. (Signed)

—Al. Woods.

Martin says he is at the present time in the best possible condition and that in two weeks of hard training he will give a better account of himself than he did on either of the before-mentioned occasions. Martin's many friends in Lowell and elsewhere will wish him success in this fight.

A LOWELL BOY.

John E. Pillsbury, lieutenant-commander of the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius is a Lowell boy, being born in this city in 1848. He received his early education in Chelsea. Besides having a thorough knowledge of vessels, he is a recognized authority on tides and currents. He attained the rank of lieutenant commander in 1892, and assumed command of the Vesuvius in 1897.

Dunstable Farms. For sale or to let. Easy terms. Apply soon to Samuel M. Hutchins, Westford, Mass.

Bernard J. Wefers will try to break the 200-yard record at New Jersey Memorial Day.

AN ARMISTICE GRANTED

By the Queen Regent of Spain Pending Later Developments.

Great Disappointment in Congress and Elsewhere at the Postponement of President's Message—The Cuban Junta Declares That Intervention Shall be Met by Resistance From the Insurgents—The Delay Exasperating to the Radicals in Congress—Newspaper Men Threatened With Assassination in Havana.

Madrid, April 7.—The hope of reaching a peaceful settlement with the United States is growing stronger. It is reported that the bases of an armistice in Cuba have been arranged. If this be true a royal decree will appear in The Gazette today or Friday announcing the conclusion of an armistice.

There is said to be no doubt that Spain is prepared to give all America has asked, although the form of this concession must be gilded to suit Spanish palates and must take into consideration the political difficulties which confront Spain.

NO MESSAGE.

Surprise and Disappointment That the President Did Not Speak.

Washington, April 7.—Swift as a cannon's flash was the change in the Cuban situation yesterday. The galleries of congress were crowded, senators and representatives were anxious and agitated, and even the diplomatic corps was in a ferment, awaiting a message from the president to the congress of the American people that might mean war, when, with excitement at the very highest, the word quickly passed that there would be no message at present. Its suddenness stunned the public, which heard the news in distorted forms, and amazed veteran members of congress.

Ultimately it became known that not only would there be no message Wednesday, but no message this week, and that it was at least a possibility the message written and approved might never go to congress at all. The first reason for the delay was that the administration received advices from General Lee at Havana, indicating that all Americans could not be gotten off the island yesterday and would be in grave peril if the message preceded their departure. The second reason, and perhaps equally potent with the other, slowly drifted into public comprehension late in the day, chiefly through the medium of dispatches from Madrid, for extreme reticent was maintained on the subject by the few in Washington who knew the facts. This important news was that the Spanish government, after what plainly had been the most exciting times in inner Spanish circles at Madrid, had decided to reopen the case, which had been closed so far as this government was concerned by the refusal of Spain to make satisfactory response to the representations made by the United States last week, and, in order to avert impending war, had decided to make concessions heretofore refused.

What will be the final outcome, it is too early to say, but the aspect of affairs certainly is considerably more pacific and sufficient to renew the hope of the president in a solution of the Cuban question satisfactory to the American people and achieved without bloodshed. The details remain to be worked out, but it is expected that between now and Monday a clearer light will be thrown on the future by the action at Madrid, of which one important feature at least is the declaration of an armistice by the queen regent of Spain. This armistice, it is expected, will lead to the ultimate independence of Cuba from Spanish rule, but by what intermediate steps perhaps even the governing powers do not at this time know. Much, it is supposed, will depend upon the Cuban insurgents and the peoples of the United States and Spain.

The delay in the settlement of the Cuban question was treated in the senate with varying degrees of favor or disfavor, depending largely upon the predilections and personal political associations of senators. All united in admitting the necessity of protecting General Lee and the other American citizens in Cuba. Many, however, were inclined to criticise because our citizens had not been removed heretofore, while other declared protection for them should have been sent to Havana. "It is a humiliating spectacle," said Senator Quay of Pennsylvania, "that with our fleet within 50 miles of Havana we are unable to protect our people in that port."

MATTHEW S. QUAY.

The intense Cuban sympathizers were free in the opinion that there was some motive in the delay that did not appear on the surface. They did not question the good faith of the representations as to the danger of Americans in Cuba, but they argued that there must have been other causes for the administration's course. When the Madrid bulletin stating the probability of an armistice in Cuba was made known, they found in it a verification of their surmises. At one time during the afternoon the indication was strong that dissatisfaction would find voice in the open session of the senate, but those who felt disposed to discuss the question were restrained largely from a feeling of delicacy because not fully certain of their ground. The conservative element did not find encouragement in the situation. They were not displeased over the prospect of delay, but they expressed regret at the occasion for it. "The publication of the fact of danger to Americans in Cuba," said one of them, "will set the country aflame and the war spirit will be more rampant than ever." Senator Elkins was among the conservatives who expressed apprehension as to the effect of the reports from General Lee, but he found great encouragement in the outlook for a peaceful settlement of the difficulty.

The personal followers of the president declined to see any other reason for his action than that of conserving the safety of Americans in Cuba, and said that for him to have taken any other course under the circumstances would have been inconsiderate and inhuman. Altogether the day's proceedings had the effect of leaving the senate in an unsettled condition, but it also relieved the tension to a perceptible degree.

TARGETS FOR THREATS.

New York, April 7.—A staff correspondent of the Associated Press, writing a personal communication from Havana on Saturday last, says: "The latter part of the week has not been particularly pleasant for the eight American correspondents left here. We have been targets for threats of assassination and recipients of innumerable warnings. We heed the warnings and disregard

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CATHOLIC NEWS.

A large congregation attended the services held at St. Patrick's church last night. The tenebrae, one of the most solemn institutions of the Catholic church was sung impressively by the clergymen of the church, altar boys and a delegation from St. Patrick's school. It will also be rendered tonight, tomorrow night and Saturday night.

There was a mass at 6.30 o'clock this morning for those who wished to receive Holy Communion.

SCALDED BY STEAM.

Mr. Allen Buckminster is confined to his home in the Highlands, as a result of being seriously scalded by steam about the face and hands while setting up machinery out-of-town.

BEWARE OF THEM.

House burglars, posing as telephone inspectors and electrical men have been working Worcester and may come here. Inspectors Lafianme and Allen warn Lowell people to be on the lookout for them, as it is probable that they will yet come here.

A MUSICALE.

A musical entertainment last night at No. 5 City Hall avenue, was given under the direction of Mr. George E. Bunce. The first of the evening was passed in playing whist, at which Miss Susie Webber won first prize. Piano solos were then played by Mrs. Kirschner, after which Mr. Henry Gordon sang "The Organ Grinder's Serenade," and "Rose, Sweet Rose." Mr. Bunce gave several choice selections on the Regina.

COUNTY COMMISSION.

At the court house this morning, the hearing on the proposed widening of Andover street was opened by the county commissioners. Many prominent residents of that vicinity attended and objected to the measure.

PATRONS OF THE AYER HOME.

The Board of Patrons of the Ayer Home held their regular monthly meeting yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The report of the matron of the Home was as follows:

Number at the home, 47; adults, 8; children, 27; transient, 3; food furnished, 10. No serious illness. Call, 119.

RIFLE CLUB'S OFFICERS.

The Middlesex Rifle club held its annual meeting at Zimmer's store last night and elected the following officers: President, W. H. Wheeler; secretary, Frank Coburn; treasurer, W. J. Burbeck; directors, W. H. Kimball, E. L. Hartford, F. R. Woodward, J. W. Ferris.

LATEST

PECULIAR WRECK

A Fast Train Kills a Track Walker

AND STOPPING TO PICK UP THE DEAD MAN

Was Run Into by a Freight Train.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Columbus, O., April 7.—A special from Steubenville, O., says: This morning the east-bound Pennsylvania limited passenger train No. 45 ran into a man who was walking on the track and knocked him into the creek, west of Fernwood, this county. The passenger train stopped, and an east-bound freight which was following it into Steubenville, crashed into it, wrecking the cars, two of them being Pullmans. The engine of the freight train and eight cars were derailed and badly smashed. The remains of the man who was struck by the passenger train were brought here and cannot be identified.

The injured who were in the ladies' coach were: Christian Stegner, National Military Home, Dayton, O., cut on arm and head; Rev. W. S. Mowry, No. 18 Carbon street, Pittsburg, left side bruised, both legs injured. His wife had her left leg injured. Charles A. Swan of Hanover, O., cut about the head. The conductor of the freight was injured in jumping.

QUESADA TALKS

Before the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

HE DECLARES THAT CUBA HAS GOVERNMENT

And Independence Should be Recognized.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—The House committee on foreign affairs had Mr. Quesada of the Cuban Junta before them for an hour today. Mr. Quesada said when he came out that the committee had enjoined secrecy upon him.

Mr. Quesada was asked as to the government of the republic of Cuba, which the United States is asked to recognize and members say he gave a full and satisfactory statement. He described the territory in possession of the insurgents, the government in Puerto Principe, and Santiago provinces. In the former province, he said, there were 250,000 people who acknowledged allegiance to the republican government. "Four hundred thousand dollars," he said, have ben collected in taxes." The capital of the republic, he said, had been twice dislodged, but it was in working order. If the United States should intervene without recognizing the independence of the republic, it would be a virtual declaration of war against the insurgents as well as the Spanish. Mr. Quesada denied emphatically that the Cuban republic had issued $50,000,000 worth of bonds. Only $1,000,000 worth of bonds had ever been issued and less than $100,000 of them had been sold. Mr. Quesada will appear before the committee again tomorrow.

THE SENATE COMMITTEE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Washington, April 7.—At 11 o'clock there was an informal meeting of the committee on foreign relations held for the purpose of hearing Honore Laine, the correspondent who claimed to have a copy of Weyler's letter regarding mines in Havana harbor. During the meeting the Associated Press Madrid bulletins were received and read with great interest.

WORD FROM McKINLEY.

Rev. C. L. Merriam has received a letter from President McKinley in answer to the telegram sent by the members of his church last Sunday. He has also received one from Congressman Knox, but he will not disclose their contents until Sunday, when he intends to read them to the congregation at the morning service. It will be sure salvation to everyone present.

PAPAL NUNCIO'S INQUIRIES.

Madrid, April 7.—It is asserted here that the communication from Rome which the Papal Nuncio and the minister for Foreign Affairs placed before the cabinet after the regular meeting had adjourned last night, asked what concessions Spain would make. The cabinet, it is further stated, decided to reply that the government "simply reaffirmed its former decision, already known to President McKinley."

As previously intimated in these despatches, there is no truth in the rumor current last night in Madrid that the United States government had presented an ultimatum to the government of Spain demanding that the latter modify within six hours, the note presented after the last conference

READY FOR AMERICANS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Havana, April 7—There is no excitement here today and no reason for any, so far as it is possible to see. The weather is cloudy and Holy Thursday is being observed in a quiet manner. The Mascotte is expected to return here today and leave for Tampa tonight. The Olivette will be here and the Bache and the Mangrove are ready in the harbor to take any passengers designated by the United States Consul-General. The latter has not decided when he will send the American citizens away.

AN ARMISTICE GRANTED.

(Continued.)

the threats with such composure as is given to each of us. As there is a good deal of 'walking in the dark' about the whole thing, we will all be glad when it comes to a definite issue, one way or the other."

"QUIET AND ORDERLY."

Havana, April 7.—After many days of foolish confidence that something would happen, a number of people here, Americans and others, have been plunged into foolish fear and turmoil. People who should know better insist that war has been declared; others are sure that the pope has secured peace with honor. Bankers with close American connections are packing their papers, collecting debts, arranging for guards for their vaults and sending their families away. Cuban women, with husbands, fathers, or brothers in the insurgent ranks, are in a state of terror. The few simon pure Americans who remain keep as cool as may be.

It is to the credit of the government here that although it was well known that yesterday was crucial with war probable and Spanish defeat certain, Havana up to 11 yesterday morning was generally quiet and orderly. The removal of the embargo consequent upon the quarantine laws gives relief to thousands, but the new trouble arises of lack of transportation. No doubt many will leave as the result of a needless scare, since probably they would be as safe here as anywhere, a possible bombardment being left out of the account. Some Spaniards still talk wildly about the United States fleet being blown out of the water by fire from the Havana batteries on the water front, but as careful practice two days ago showed the inability of the gunners to come within 100 yards of a target on smooth water at a range of two miles or thereabouts, naval men need not be apprehensive of the effect of the Havana guns.

A DASH TO THE CANARIES.

Washington, April 7.—The plan for the naval forces in event of hostilities is now practically completed after several weeks of constant work on the part of the officers to whom was entrusted this important feature of the war preparations. While these plans are closely guarded, it may be stated that one feature of them contemplates a dash by the flying squadron under Commodore Schley to the Canary islands.

As outlined by a high naval official, the plan is that in the event of a declaration of war, the flying squadron as it is now composed, or possibly with the addition of a few more ships, will immediately start for the east with the Canaries as its destination. Naval officials do not think it would be a difficult task for no powerful a fleet to establish a station at that point, and operating from it as a base harrass the coast of Spain.

From that point the squadron would not only be placed advantageously to intercept Spanish merchantmen, but would be in a position, should circumstances demand, to attack a seaport. It was also pointed out by this officer that to seize and hold the Canary islands would be a severe blow to Spain, inasmuch as the islands lie between the Cape Verde islands and Spain, and in direct line with the route to China. Should such a plan be put in operation the American fleet in Cuban waters would be composed of the squadron at the Portugas and such additional vessels as could be spared from the protection of the coast further up.

BROOKLYN'S GUNS TESTED.

Fort Monroe, April 7.—The Brooklyn, flagship of the flying squadron, tried her 8-inch guns yesterday, in order to test the new elevating apparatus designed to give them greater range. The test was not made solely to demonstrate the ability of the apparatus, but to see if the turrets after being so materially changed would stand the shock to which they were subjected.

THE BROOKLYN.

In 35 minutes every railing, rope, capstan, anchor, small boat and loose hamper had been removed. The first shot was sent with a service charge of 85 pounds of powder, the gun being elevated at five degrees. The two 200-pound shell left the muzzle of the gun at a velocity of 2000 feet a second. It struck the water two and three-quarters miles from the ship, sending up a vast column of water. The second shot was with a full powder charge, 110 pounds, and sent the projectile nearly four miles, putting it in the water at a speed of 1000 feet per second. There was no perceptible jarring from the shot.

PRAYER OF PREACHERS.

Worcester, Mass., April 7.—The New England Methodist conference has adopted a resolution addressed to the president as follows: "The conference desires to express to you its profound sympathy in your untiring efforts in behalf of suffering humanity on the island of Cuba, and its hearty endorsement of your policy to do everything consistent with our honor as a nation to adjust the strained relations between this country and Spain without recourse to devastating war. It is the fervent prayer of the preachers and the people that you may have the dignified support of the national congress in the settlement of this difficulty."

STILL LOOKS FOR WAR.

Baltimore, April 7.—United States Senator Wellington, who was in Baltimore yesterday, said: "I had hoped that war could be averted, but I see no prospect of that at the present time, and unless there is a decided change in the situation war in a very short time is inevitable."

ACCUSED OF JUGGLING.

London, April 7.—The highest officials in this city are convinced that Spain designedly juggled the alleged facts of President McKinley's connection with the pope's attempt to mediate in order to influence public opinion in Europe against the United States, using the Spanish ambassadors at the capitals as the mouthpieces of the misinformation. This, apparently, had the desired effect upon continental opinion, but it had exactly the opposite effect in Great Britain.

RECEIVED NO ORDERS.

Havana, April 7.—The attitude of the public here is one of quiet expectancy. The order maintained in the city is admirable. Consul General Lee assures the correspondent of the Associated Press that he has received no instructions to leave Havana. It is reported, however, that some of the consular records were sent north by the Mascotte. She is expected back from Key West on Friday. With the Bache, Mangrove and Fern there will be ample accommodation then to take away all who are entitled to go.

MRS. WOODFORD'S DEPARTURE.

Madrid, April 7.—Mrs. Woodford, wife of the United States minister, accompanied by her niece and Lieutenant G. L. Dyer, the United States naval attache, left last night for Biarritz. General Woodford bade them farewell at the station. Considerable surprise is expressed at their departure "in view of the settlement," but Miss Woodford remains, and it is explained that the others will soon return.

Sweeten Your Bowels With Cascarets. Candy Cathartic, cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c. If C. C. C. fail, druggists refund money.

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MURDERER'S VISIT

At a House in Weymouth Yesterday.

RETURNS OF CORPORATIONS AT STATE HOUSE.

Cov. Wolcott Appoints a New Judge.

Boston, April 7.—Captain Wyman of division 4 has learned that a suspiciously acting man who closely corresponded with the description of the murderer of Clerk Russell was seen at East Weymouth. A man called at a house there on the morning after the crime and asked for something to eat. That evening, while reading the story of the crime in a Boston paper, the members of the household who saw the young man of the morning instantly recognized in him the exact counterpart of the fellow described as the murderer of Clerk Russell. The clew will be followed closely.

The annual returns of corporations as reported by the secretary of the state to the legislature show the aggregate amount of capital invested in new corporations in 1897 as $10,894,250 and by increase of capital $5,427,500 additional. The whole number of certificates of incorporation is 503. The number of annual certificates of condition filed is 2141, of which 67 are duplicates or omissions of a previous year. Twenty-one corporations have reduced their capital $2,084,800 and 36 corporations have been dissolved by the supreme judicial court.

At an auction sale of mill stocks some fluctuations were evident as follows: Booth, off 7 1-2, at $12 1-2; Massachusetts, off 1 1-4, at 78,3-4; Lyman, off 4, at 50 3-4, and Tremont and Suffolk, off 4 3-4, at 125 1-4.

When the executive council met yesterday Governor Wolcott announced the appointment of Judge Edmund Eldridge of Cottage City as justice of the Dukes county district court, which has just been made a district court. The governor also nominated Judge George W. Cate of Amesbury and Frank W. Hodgdon of Arlington members of the commission on the boundary line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire. They succeed to the vacancies caused by the death of Henry Carter and George Whitney.

In the municipal court yesterday, Isaac C. Harvey, charged with having in his possession 156 lobsters each of which was shorter than the length required by law, which is 10½ inches, was fined 45 for each lobster, aggregating $780.

WALKED ONCE TOO OFTEN.

Taunton, Mass., April 7.—James Pinkham, 70 years old, who, for nearly 30 years, had walked on the railroad track to and from his work with the Mason Machine company, was struck by a train last night and instantly killed. He was recently married, and also leaves three children by his first wife.

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REMOVES DISEASE BY MANIPULATION
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A Scientific Principle Which Will Live for Ages.

TS TRIUMPH OVER MEDICINE.

A Talk with Prof. J. P. Coffey, who has been associated with Der Fritz for the last two years, and acknowledged to be the Great Exponent of This Marvelous Principle, Which is Upsetting the Old-Time Theories of Physicians.

This is an age of the upsetting of old theories. Every day we hear of some master mind putting into practice a new method which is so far in advance of what had gone before that man stands appalled at the thought of his previous groping, and wonders how life could have progressed under the old condition. Look back over half a century and mark the upward steps that have led this nation to the high and proud position it now occupies; mark the wreaths of fame that rest upon the brows of our scientists, our inventors, our men of mind, with whom thought is action, and action the enlightening of mankind.

Probably the most important discovery of latter times, or more properly speaking, the most successful scientific development of a known principle (for it is as old as history), is the bringing into battle with sickness and disease of Vital Magnetism. The great exponent of this principle of life and health is Professor Coffey who, now in the prime of a useful life, finds he has mastered his subject, and having it completely in hand, can use it as nature intended it should be used, to benefit sick and suffering humanity.

He has made the anatomy of the human body a study; he knows disease and sickness by the various "help signals" that show in a hundred ways to his practiced eye, and which are undistinguishable to others. The successful operator must know every bone, muscle, nerve, vein and artery in the body, with its uses and relation to every other part, and the results that will follow from any abnormity of any one of them. The diagnosis is largely through the sense of touch, which is developed to the highest perfection.

"As the fingers of the blind are trained to read the letters of the alphabet through several thicknesses of cloth, so the fingers of the professor passed over the surface of the body, can detect the slightest displacement of any muscle, tendon, bone, artery or vein.

"He knows not only how the body looks when the anatomy is normal, but also how it feels. The location and nature of the trouble having been ascertained, the next thing is to know how to remove it, and this requires skill of another kind.

"Perhaps the trouble is caused by the malposition of some small ligament an inch or more from the surface, where it is impossible to get the fingers directly upon it. Then the operator must be acquainted with all the principles of mechanics as applied to machinery of the human body. He must understand how to use the various bones, muscles and ligaments as levers, pulleys, etc., and be able to calculate to a mathematical certainty just what movement is required and what the result will be.

"This involves not only a thorough knowledge of the laws of mechanics, but a knowledge of the mechanical relation of every part of the body to every other part.

"It is neither 'faith cure,' hypnotism nor massage although it has been classed with these things by those who have heard of it, but never investigated. As it consists of manipulation it is frequently confounded with massage, but there is nothing in common except that the hands are used in both systems. Beyond this fact they are totally different. In massage the operator rubs and pats the body at random, without any knowledge of anatomy, and expects results simply because such vigorous stirring up of the surface of the body has proved beneficial in some other case.

"Professor Coffey, however, can give a reason for every move he makes. He knows exactly what particular nerve, vein or artery he is endeavoring to reach or what bone, muscle or ligament he desires to readjust. Again, it is ignorantly supposed by some that this system of healing deals only with bone or nervous diseases. The Professor "reasons that disease results from some displacement, enlargement, obstruction or abnormity of a bone, muscle or ligament, or some unnatural pressure upon a nerve or blood vessel.

"For example, a dislocation at the shoulder may cause rheumatism in the hand or wrist, a dislocated rib may produce heart disease, a diseased nerve in the stomach may affect the eyesight, and so on. The professor removes the obstruction by manipulation.

"The results that I have obtained over disease I have secured when I have handled the engine of life as an engineer handles his engine. So long as I conform to the laws governing an engine, the human locomotive obeys, just as well as any locomotive will obey its engineer when he treats it as the machinist has indicated by the form of any and all parts of the engine.

If some substance should get into the wheels of a watch, or the cogs should become locked or bent, would a workman pour arsenic, nux vomica or some chemical calculated to destroy the works into it? No. First he would ascertain where the obstruction was, would remove it, straighten the bent wheels and set it going. This is done by scientific manipulation alone, without the use of drugs, the knife or surgical appliances of any kind.

"The successful operator approaches his patient with confidence, as a surgeon approaches his. There is no guesswork about his work—no gambling that possibly one drug may do something in one way and another do something in another.

"I know when I turn off the current of that electric light in my room that the light will cease to shine. I know that when a certain nerve or vein or muscle is shut off from its source of supply, of power the parts to which it leads must logically become diseased.

"We know that the current of life is all right if all the conections are tight as the light comes into the globe when the knob is turned. We turn the knob which may be turned shut and light appears at once. I say we do this, and the records of our cases will show that we do it.

Thousands of men and women possess it in a degree, but it is in the study of its points and their scientific development that my success is due. My claim for it is this: Every human system is supplied with a certain amount of Vital Magnetism; when that supply falls below its proper limit sickness is as sure to follow as the day the night; we, being gifted with an excess amount of it, and having devoted years of deep study to the manner of properly transmitting it to those who suffer, are able to supply the amount that is lacking in the system of our patients, and what is the result?

"Health, glorious health, and nothing else.

"We study our patients first, and finding the cause of the trouble, start from the brain, which in every case is the head office of all bodily ills. Then finding the nerve lines that lead to the actual trouble, we send a supply of Vital Magnetism to the suffering spot and drive out of the system the cause of complaint, and the result is that the poor, tired, worn body that perhaps a half hour before was racked with pain now glows with the warmth of life and vitality; in fact, is born anew. All because the lacking amount of Vital Magnetism has been furnished, and the great principle of life and health is complete.

"That," continued Professor Coffey "is Vital Magnetism: I make no secret of what it is, or how to apply it. I believe thousands of men and women are blessed with this glorious gift, and I hope to see the day when it will be the great curative principle of the age, and that medicines and drugs will have been banished to the dark ages of mistakes, where they justly belong."

These great healers have been prevailed upon to extend their stay in Lowell for a few days.

Papers could be filled with the most wonderful cures performed by these men in Boston, and fully 10,000 people have witnessed their marvelous work during their lectures and healing clinics at both Berkeley and the People's Temples, Boston, and also at the Odd Fellow's Temple in Lowell during the last three months.

We know that such remarkable cures as are being made in this city seem almost incredible, and these performances seem more like miracles than solid facts, yet they have been witnessed by thousands of people as they daily took place at Odd Fellow's Temple in the most public manner.

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WANTED—A CLOAKMAKER IN THE Cloak Department, one who can speak French. 78 Middlesex street.

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WANTED—A PROTESTANT GIRL TO DO general housework, 151 Princeton street.

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MADAM GLENDENING, FROM PARIS—The celebrated palmist. Correct readings on all affairs of life, will be here a few days only, 16 John street.

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FOR SALE—HOUSE AND BARN, 50 FEET of land, 7 large square rooms, pantry, bath, hot and cold water, gas in both house and barn, chickery, stable for three horses, pear trees, 3 minutes walk from electrics. Address Box 713 city.

WANTED—MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK at home. I pay $5 to $15 per week for making crayon portraits, new patent method, anyone who can read or write can do the work at home in spare time, day or evening. Send for particulars and work at once. Address H. A. Gripp, German artist, Tyrone, Pa.

TO LET—STABLE, TWO STALLS, HARness closet, ample carriage room, concreted, rear of 54 Tyler street, entrance from George or Church streets. Apply to Charles H. Walker.

FOR SALE—ON GATES' LAND NEAR Winnford street, two tenement house with all modern improvements; good corner lot; price $1200. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—LADIES TO KNOW THEY CAN get their straw, leghorn or manila hats cleansed or dyed and made in the latest shapes at the Hat and Bonnet Bleachery, 161 Merrimack street.

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TRAP AND DEMOCRAT. AN ELEGANT light "Trap" built at cost of $225, hardly soiled, and a very superior new democrat, both very low. 69 Robbins street.

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FOR SALE—THREE MILES FROM LOWELL post office, small farm of 6 acres, cottage house and barn, hennery and some fruit, $1100. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

TWO NICE FOUR ROOM TENEMENTS TO rent. Inquire at 79 Chestnut street.

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3 Cans Peaches, 25c.
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3 cans Marrow Squash, 25c.
8 cans Rolled Oats, 25c.
3 packages Buckeye Oats, 25c.
10 lbs Rye Flour, 25c.
10 lbs. Graham Flour, 25c.
10 bars Laundry Soap, 25c.
7 bars Lenox Soap, 25c.
3 bottles Lemon Extract, 25c.
3 bottles best Vanilla Extract, 25c.
5 lbs. Turkey Prunes, 25c.
5 lbs. 3 Crown Raisins, 25c.
8 lbs. old fashioned Dried Apples, 25c.
60 bush. choice Mealy White Potatoes, 90c. bush., 25c. pk.
50 bush. choice Hebron Potatoes, 90c., bush., 25c. pk.
75 bush. choice New Hampshire Red Potatoes, 90c. bush., 25c. pk.
25 bush. choice Danvers Onions, 75c. bush., 20c. pk.
15 bush. choice Red Onions, 50c. bush., 15c. pk.

All these goods are the best and will be sold out soon.

3 cans Alaska Salmon, 25c.
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5 lb. can fine flavored O Government Java coffee, $1. We defy all to equal this coffee. Sold everywhere for 35c. lb.
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Live Cock tail Haddock, fresh every day, 4c. lb.
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Fresh Shoal Halibut, fresh every day, 10c. lb.
Smoked Salmon, 15c.
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Smoked Bloaters, 20c doz.
Kippered Herring, 25c. doz.
Finnan Haddy, 7c. lb.
Fresh Connecticut River Shad, 20c. each.
20 lb. boxes Boneless Cod, $1.
Fresh Penobscot River Salmon, 10c. lb.
10-lb. Scrap Cod, 30c.
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3 lb. extra quality Minced Cod, 25c.
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Fresh Eels, 10c. lb.
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Fresh Cod Steaks, 6c. lb.
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Rump Steak, 15c to 25c.
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Round Steak, 10 to 12 1-2c.
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A New York literary man relates that he recently had occasion to consult a well-known physician for a stomach trouble which was pronounced a type of dyspepsia. "After consultation," he writes, "the Doctor gave me a prescription, and I was somewhat surprised to note that the formula was nearly identical with that of

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for which I had, on more than one occasion, prepared advertising matter. I had the prescription filled, and it proved satisfactory, giving quick relief. A week later, when I had taken all the medicine, I again called on the Doctor and mentioned the similarity of his prescription and the proprietary remedy spoken of, showing him both the remedy itself and the formula. The Doctor was at first somewhat inclined to criticise what he called patent medicines, but appeared to be surprised when he noted to what extent his own prescription conformed to the formula I showed him. It was practically the same. After a short time devoted to noting the careful manner in which the proprietary medicine was prepared, he wound up by prescribing it for my case. Of course I had to pay him for telling me to do this, but it was worth the cost to have such high professional assurance that the advertised article was, in fact, the scientific formula that it purported to be. I might have taken the proprietary medicine in the beginning and saved the Doctor's fee, but I think the confidence I have acquired in the efficacy of the remedy, through the Doctor's indorsement of it, is well worth the fee."

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Of all the flowers that bloom the gracefulness, the purity and the whiteness of the lily of Bermuda best symbolizes the Easter sentiment, and have made it the queen flower for Easter time. This lily takes most kindly to the soil and climate of Bermuda, where millions of the bulbs are grown annually and shipped to this and other countries. The bulbs are purchased by the florists, and planted in their hothouses about a month before Easter, so as to be in full bloom by the holiday. Should the blossoms show signs of opening too soon, the plants are placed on their sides; and the growth thus retarded until the proper time arrives. The Easter lily improves with the age of the plant. The bulbs should be at least two years old, though some dealers prefer to wait until their fourth year, when they are hardy enough to produce beautiful flowers, even with careless treatment.

But the Easter lily has its rivals, its attendants, its maids of honor, as, indeed, a queen should have. Rivaling it in beauty, but not in suggestiveness of white purity is the Japanese lily. This is a gorgeous flower, with long, slightly curved petals, touched with tawny spots and of a rare fragrance. The American Beauty rose is another rival; and, notwithstanding its color, many give it the place of honor on Easter day. The flowers are large and of a rich deep red, with strong stems covered with luxuriant foliage.

The azalea, with its wealth of blossoms, makes a pretty and harmonious accompaniment to the stately lily; while the acacia, the lilac, jonquils and tulips all do service as attendant beauties. The modest little violet, the more saucy carnations, dainty pink and white daisies, primroses and the fragrant arbutus are making ready their most beautiful blossoms for Easter day. All of these and many more flowers of rare beauty and fragrance will be ready at the diligent florist's sales counters to deplete the pockets of the sighing lover, the generous friend, the happy husband—whoever cares to buy—come Easter time.

The sensible fashion of sending the growing plant in place of cut flowers is becoming more common each Easter. The plants, with a suitable amount of rich soil, are put up in handsome jardinieres or baskets; and, if cared for, will flourish for months, giving of their fragrance and beauty generously, as constant reminders of the kind hand which sent them. Some of these receptacles for the growing plants are quite elaborate affairs and beautifully decorated. They are mounted on tripods of bamboo, painted in rich designs; and, when crowned with the growing plant in full bloom, have an exceedingly handsome and decorative effect.

For table decoration few flowers are more appropriate and beautiful than growing jonquils and violets in full blossom. The plants are potted in silver and Bohemian glass or in pretty basket-work cases. A suitable decoration for an Easter dinner would be a mirror lake in the center of the table, with a boat loaded with blooming violets riding on its surface and shores bordered with ferns and the foliage and bloom of small-petaled flowers.

The young man who would send his lady love an Easter floral offering this year, will have to go down deep into his pocket for an abundance of cash, if he is ambitious to utilize all the magnificence the florist can place at his disposal. To begin with the flowers and their accessories will cost much money; and then will come the delivery, which is really a very grand and imposing affair, likewise costing very much more money. The fashionable florist's delivery cart of to-day is a magnificent equipage, with a coachman and footman in royal sables occupying the box, and drawn by costly well-groomed horses in harnesses of enameled violet leather with gold and silver mountings.

Yes, all this will come high; but it is all very fine and proper and doubtless will make a very deep impression on the heart of My Lady Disdain. And yet, a little bunch of violets, fresh from the hands of the giver, can convey as tender a message or tell of love as abiding or friendship as faithful to lady love or friend; and so the very poor as well as the very rich can give and receive the blessings of the happy Easter time. Not the costliness of the gift, but the affection of the giver, makes its value.

Lavender Perfume for Smelling Salts.

Six drams of oil of lavender aug., five drops of oil of cloves aug., ten drops of oil of rose geranium, ten drops of attar of roses, one dram and a half of essence of ambergris, two drams of essence of bergamotte, one dram and a half of essence of musk. Mix and shake well before dropping on the salts.

Pale pink afternoon and evening gowns are daintily finished with a belt of delicate violet velvet.

"The Power Of An Endless Life" Is In The Soul Of Easter Rife.

EASTER FANCIES AND FADS TO INTEREST THE FAIR SEX.

Brides Now Wear Jewels.

It is noticeable at many of the smart weddings of the season that the bride no longer decks herself the wearing of any jewels. It used to be a sort of unwritten but carefully adhered-to law that a maiden on her wedding day should have no ornaments save those of her blooming youth and the typical flowers of her state. This, however, has been gradually changed, and brides appear more and more often with superb gems. It was literally a yard of pearls that a bride wore on her neck not long ago when she became a wife. A bit of sentiment about this comparatively new jewel-wearing of brides is that only the ornaments that are given by the immediate family or the groom shall be thus honored.

A Severe Law.

The Argentine Republic has imposed a tax upon celibates of either sex. These are the first two clauses of the new law: "On and after January 1st, 1897, every male from the age of twenty to eighty shall pay a tax until he marries, and shall pay it once in every month." Clause 2: "Young celibates of either sex who shall, without legitimate motive, reject the addresses of him or her (ladies may propose in Argentina) who may aspire to her or his hand, and who continue contumaciously unmarried, shall pay the sum of 500 plastres for the benefit of the young person, man or woman, who has been so refused."

Glass Obtained from Grass.

Grass might be supposed to be the last material from which glass could be obtained. But an accident at a northern glass factory proves that it is so. A large mass of esparto grass had been burnt by mischance in a furnace, and after it had been entirely consumed large masses of glass were found amongst the ashes. These pieces, on being treated in the usual manner in a kiln, produced glass which is described as "a good sample of bottle-glass." At first sight this seems most extraordinary, but as flint, which is the chief component of glass, is to be found in large quantities in all grasses, and particularly in the straw of wheat and oats, it is easily explained.

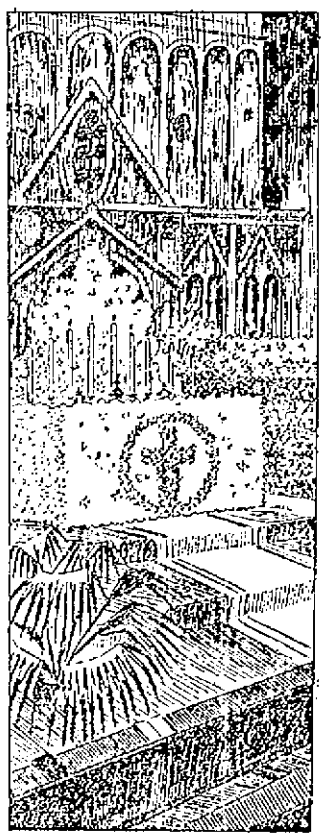
Satin Underskirts.

Satin, as having greater lustre than silk, is chosen for the under dress of the organdie and gauze dresses now being made for the summer. It is claimed, too, that satin will be the most suitable material for the sheath skirt. Taffeta is too light in weight and too bouffante. The satin marvelleuse once so fashionable makes the most durable of all skirts, whether for an outer or an under dress.

Dress Accessories.

Something very pretty for summer dresses is the boxed dress patterns of white applique lawn. This is predestined to take the place entirely of the once well loved brown batiste and the white embroidered lawn. The applique is edged all about with a fine line of black needlework, and a white organdie, dowered over with pale lavender and deep purple iris blossoms, set in a delicate black framework, is a delectable sight to beauty-loving eyes.

EASTER LILIES IN THE BERMUDAS.



AN EASTER ALTAR DECORATION.

THE FRIVOLOUS SIDE OF EASTER TIME.

Some Of The Monster Eggs Made For Display This Year.

COMIC FIGURES ON EASTER EGG SHELLS.

In these days of skilled confectioners the Easter eggs, natural and artificial, have become, some of them, veritable works of art, while all exhibit the skill and ingenuity of their manufacturers in the grotesqueness, beauty or costliness of their designs. Nor will the outside of the Easter egg alone, however quaint or beautiful it may be, absorb the attention of the recipient; but eager fingers will at once seek to solve the mystery—what woman or child is there who does not delight in mystery of the kind of the breed of the chicken the egg will hatch. And the chickens! Well, you may expect to find anything from a bed room set to an Easter bonnet in your egg this year; for watches, rings, brooches, clocks, studs, pins, gloves, sweetmeats, handkerchiefs, books, photos, and live birds are the names of but a few of the many delightful surprises which will await the egg opener.

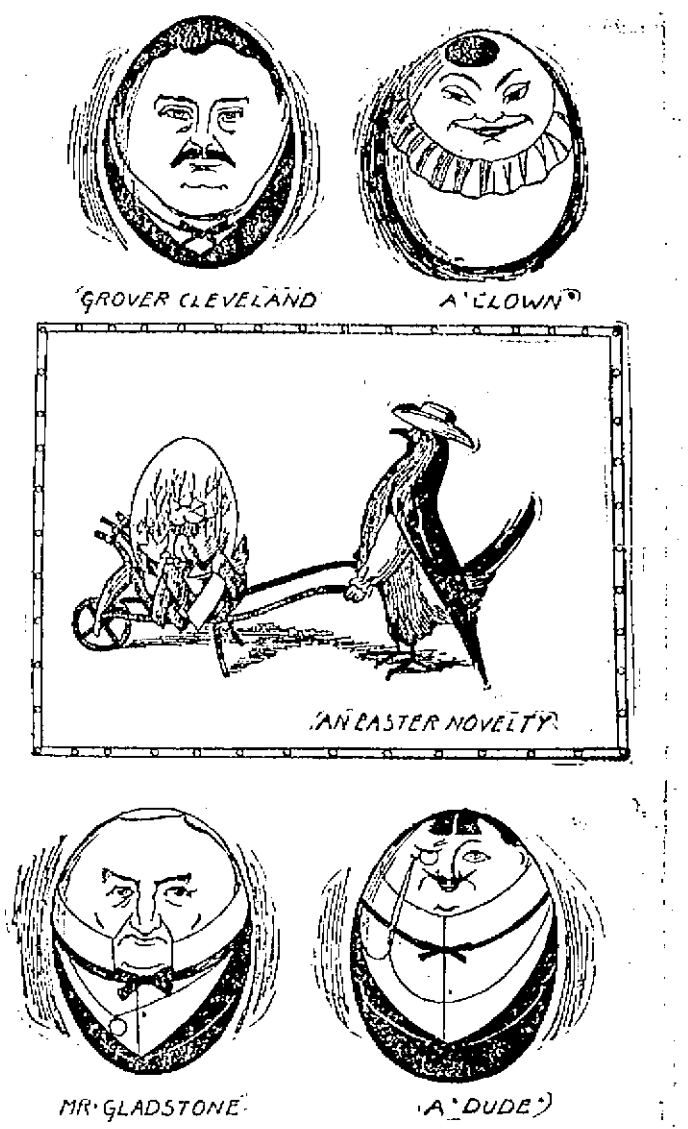
Eggs in which presents are to be placed are made of papier-mache shells, and are usually covered with hand-painted satin. Of course where the giver is an artist, the value of the gift will be enhanced greatly if the painting is done by the same hand that sends the gift. Travelers sometimes bring in ostrich eggs to be painted and filled; and, at least, one egg of the extinct great auk has passed through the hands of the confectioner. This egg would be a gift fit for a king, empty or filled, for the rarity of the great auk's eggs makes them of very great value. But the record-breaker, in point of size and probably in costliness, was an egg made in London and sent to a South African millionaire's bride. The shell of this giant egg was composed entirely of chocolate, and was nine feet long and eighteen feet in circumference at the widest part. It required seven men to carry it. A ton of superfine confectionery, an expensive and extensive wedding trousseau and numerous wedding gifts were all packed within the egg. The bill for the sweetmeats alone was $2,500, and the whole was insured for many thousands of dollars, before being shipped for Africa.

A few years ago a certain New York railroad magnate had a superb Easter egg made for his little son. It was a miniature carriage, the body being in the shape of a huge egg, enamelled white, lined with white quilted satin, and drawn by a pair of exceedingly diminutive ponies. This is but one of the many Easter extravagancies indulged in by New Yorkers. Indeed, no city in the world buys costlier Easter eggs than does New York; and this fact has made its confectioners the most skillful of workmen in this department of art.

This year the display of Easter novelties is especially attractive, and includes many beautiful and quaint designs. There is the little Swiss carrier, with the egg in the pannier; and a very large and extremely wise-looking mother owl and her numerous family, with bodies made of delicious chocolate eggs, which is quite sure to please lovers of the odd. While a real chick, dressed to represent a milliner's apprentice, with a great box of eggs in one hand and a bunch of fragrant flowers in the other, can, should the donor wish, deliver an expensive hat or bonnet in lieu of the eggs in the box. Another elaborate and costly affair is a very pretty egg, carried in a bamboo cab or jinrickshe, and drawn by a team of four stately little storks. On the high seat at the back stands a fifth stork, who, with all the dignity of mien of a Fifth-avenue coachman, appears to be ready to drive the dainty equipage post haste to the home of the donor's lady love. Of course the proper thing to do would be to drop a beautiful jewel into the egg before giving the coachman the address. Then there are rich cakes, in the form of magnificent eggs, iced and decorated in a most beautiful manner; and bound, where the two halves are joined, with pretty ribbons.

But the quaintest and funniest of all are the Easter egg likenesses. These are made from hen's eggs. The contents are first blown out and the shells weighted or balanced with fine shot, in such a way that they will always stand on end. An artist now takes the eggs and judges from their shapes what "character" to give each one. Then, with brush and paint, he proceeds to transform the eggs into ludicrous caricatures of, it may be, Mr. Gladstone, Grover Cleveland, Cecil Rhodes, McKinley or other notable characters. Now the funny thing is the behavior of these egg-men. Knock Grover Cleveland down; and, with his usual obstinacy, up he hobs ready for another hit. Push Gladstone over; and the Grand Old Fellow jumps up so quickly and frowns so fiercely, that one is quite sure he must have seen a Turk. Even McKinley cannot be downed; and the dude swaggers about furiously, and the clown rolls and tumbles around in a way to make the heart glad and the lips laugh. It is the fine shot, held firmly by wax to the bottom inside of the shell, that enables these quaint little egg-men to accomplish these marvelous gymnastical feats.

The Easter egg novelties for children are more numerous and costly than ever this year. Beautiful and elaborate eggs made of satin or plaited straw, have hidden within them delightful surprises for the bright eyes of their owners to spy out. A doll's complete trousseau, or a miniature tea or dinner-service, or a regiment of soldiers, or a boy's tool chest, or countless games and mechanical toys of all kinds are apt to make the hatching of the eggs on Easter day an exceedingly enjoyable occupation for the children.



SOME QUEER EASTER EGG IDEAS.

The Origin of a Name.

The lovely Marechal Niel rose owes its name to the Empress Eugenie. When General Niel returned from the scene of his triumphs over the Austrians in Italy after the battles of Solferino and Magenta a poor man gave him a basket filled with exquisite yellow roses. The general had a cutting struck from one of the blooms, and when the rose tree from it had grown he took it to the Empress Eugenie. She was charmed with the gift, but when she asked the name of the rose, she was told that it was unknown. "Ah!" she said. "I will give it a name; it shall be the Marechal Niel." By this she conveyed to the gallant officer that he had been made a marshal of France for his services to the country, as well as naming the lovely blossom.

THE UNIQUE AND THE ODD.

Many stories could be told of the alertness which Senators display in securing well-placed desks, but the experience of Mr. Vest is especially worth relating. When, in 1883, the civil service law was being discussed, Mr. Pendleton, an Ohio Democrat, and Mr. Dawes had presented bills. By a shrewd bit of politics the Republicans abandoned their support of the Dawes bill and voted for Mr. Pendleton's measure, their votes, together with the votes of the Democrats favorable to the measure, being sufficient to pass it. As the bill was about to be voted on, Mr. Cockrell moved that its title be changed so as to read: "A bill to retain Republicans in office." As soon as it passed Mr. Vest filed a claim for Mr. Pendleton's seat. "The author of such a bill," said he, "will never come back to the Senate."

Mr. Vest was right, and at the beginning of the next Congress he moved into Mr. Pendleton's vacant chair.—Washington Post.

A darky was suing a railroad company for damages—caused by the killing of his cow. There was a strong suspicion that he had purposely driven the cow on the track.

"You'll swear you didn't?"

"Did you not drive the animal in front of the engine?" asked the lawyer for the road.

"No, suh, I didn'tl"

"Yes, suh, ten times over!"

He won the case, but as he pocketed the check for his money some one overheard him say:

"Dat wuz a narrow escape I had, I tell you; but I tol' him de truth. It wuzn't me what driv' de cow in front er de engine, but my brother-in-law—he de one done it! I mighty glad dat lawyer stop when he did, kase he wuz right in de fambly!"

The Patron—I confess that I'm prone to making a mountain out of a molehill.

The Clairvoyant—Why don't you go into the real estate business?

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CLOTHES BASKETS.

Clothes Baskets are going fast with a pound of 90c Tea. This is the only lot of these goods we will have. Dickson Bros., the Big Tea Dealers, 95 Merrimack street.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS

Sold on the Cunard, White Star, American, Dominion, Anchor, Allan, Red Star, French and German lines, sailing from Boston and New York to Liverpool and Queenstown. Money sent to Ireland, England and all parts of the world. Canada bills bought at Murphy's Steamship Agency, 15 Appleton street.

LOCAL NEWS.

Smokers enjoy Old Hundred cigars.

T. C. Lee, Fire Ins., 223 Central street.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson St. Telephone, 439-4.

Coal and coal. If you want the best, order it of W. E. Livingston, 15 Thorndike street.

Kittredge & Son of this city have the contract for erecting a dam at Manchester, N. H.

See the fancy belts in my window. Up to date. Bottom prices. Harris, 20 Appleton street.

Miss Bridget T. Cryan has entered the employ of Miss M. A. Baird of the Temple of Design.

The Misses Lennon and the Misses McCarthy of this city are spending a few days in New York city.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 953 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone.

Miss Lena Bagshaw, daughter of W. H. Bagshaw, the well known manufacturer, has entered Elmhurst academy, Elmhurst, R. I.

The M. Steinert & Sons company have leased the store well known as the Bijou Shoe store, Masonic Temple, 130 Merrimack street. They are having a special sale of pianos. See ad.

If the object in buying a bicycle is getting over the road Safely, Easily, and Quickly, then buy a "Racycle." It is "The" wheel this year. For sale only at 16 Merrimack street.

Lowell, April 1, 1898.

The annual meeting of the Lowell Reform club corporation will be held in Columbia hall, Friday evening, April 8, 1898, at 8 o'clock.

—A. E. Joy, President.
J. J. Harrington, Clerk.

Sold out to A. A. Tarbell & Co. Dry Goods, large line of Dress Goods, Cloth and Fur Capes, Spring and Winter Cloaks, at retail and auction at 2 and 7 p. m. Everything to be sold this week. Store to be closed Saturday night. 112 Merrimack street. J. W. Bruce, auctioneer.

Grand Cake Walk and Dance at the Armory, April 28th. Those who wish to participate in the Cake Walk of G company, 6th Regiment, M.V.M., should make application to Corporal P. T. Durrell, 11 Bleachery street. The number of contestants will be limited to twelve couples. The committee reserve the right to approve or reject all applications. Applications will close April 20.

Monday night, the young friends of Master Albert L. J. Hatch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Hatch, gathered at his home, 353 Worthen street and helped him celebrate his thirteenth birthday. During the evening, a pleasing entertainment was given, including songs by Miss Nettie Studley, Miss Elnora Clifford, Geneva Hatch, Nellie Fairweather, Mable Hatch, Rena Saunders. Miss Nettie Studley presided at the piano.

Geo. F. Stiles, deputy sheriff and messenger of the insolvent estate of P. P. Stiles & Co., will sell at public auction on Friday, April 8th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at store, corner of Market and Dutton streets, all the stock of groceries and movable fixtures contained in said store, the same to be sold in one lot; also horses, wagons, harnesses, sleighs etc. Above described property is sold by order of the court of insolvency for Middlesex county. Terms of sale will be cash. Stock of goods can be inspected any time before the sale.

STOVER'S STRIKERS

GET $148 FROM HAVERHILL CONCERT.

The Stover Shoe Shop strikers are just as firm as ever. Last night they received a check for $148 from Haverhill—their share of the receipts of a concert given there recently. The strikers have not been near Mr. Stover but they say he has about 148 green hands in the shop, whereas his regular working force numbers about 300.

COMPANY C INSPECTED.

BY LIEUT. COL CHAFFIN LAST NIGHT.

Company C was informally inspected by Lieut. Col Chaffin of Southbridge at the armory last night. There were present many spectators who were immensely pleased with the drill.

They were well entertained for in addition to the usual routine work a squad directed by Corporal Saunders operated on a Gatling gun. They went through the various complicated movements which go to make a drill of this kind interesting and their uniform work was highly appreciated.

The company was commanded by Captain Greig, Lieut. Livingston and Lieut. Costello.

After the drill the recently promoted "non coms" were examined by Major Taylor of Wakefield.

Lieutenants Livingston and Costello gave a spread to their fellow members as a sort of observance of their recent promotion. It was served in the commissary room. Lieut. Col. Chaffin was one of the guests. Speaking of the war scare he stated that all the companies of the Sixth regiment are ready for service. He said that 1200 men, all of the Sixth, could be brought together within a few hours.

The ambulance corp had a full attendance, with the exception of Dr. Bell, who is ill, at its regular drill last night. The drill, while not so complicated as that of a company with firearms, was novel and interesting.

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For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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HEBREW FESTIVAL

Of the Passover Now Being Observed.

COMMEMORATIVE OF THE DELIVERY FROM BONDAGE.

Descriptions of Their Interesting Ceromony.

With the deepening of the shadows, last evening, the Hebrew residents of this city, as their brethren the world over, began the commemoration of the delivery of their ancestors from bondage in the land of Egypt.

The opening services were held in the McIntyre street synagogue last evening, and this morning and evening and Friday morning and evening, there will be services. On these two days, the faithful are obliged to abstain from all work, and as the regular Sabbath service will be conducted Saturday, they will have a celebration of three days.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, they are allowed to return to work, and on Tuesday evening, Wednesday morning, and evening, and Thursday morning, there are services again and the people cease work. Thursday evening, the people are free to return to work.

Passover, the fast of gladness and rejoicing, the holiday of holidays of the Hebrews, is ushered in to last eight days. For a number of weeks elaborate preparations have been in progress among the ancient people for the observance of this sacred commemoration, and when the happy days come, the luxuriousness of the feasts are only limited by their worldly possessions. During these days gladness reigns supreme among both the rich and the poor.

During Passover, or Pesach, as it is called in Hebrew, the children of Israel eat the matzos, or "bread of poverty," like that which their fathers ate in the exodus from Egypt.

On Tuesday evening, all manner of leaven was removed from every Hebrew household or accounted null in the following prayer by the master of the family:

"All manner of leaven which is in my possession which I have not seen or removed shall be null and accounted dust of the earth." If the master is not at home, he annuls the leaven wherever he is.

Dishes, cooking utensils and crockeries that have been used during the year must be replaced by new ones that have not been touched by leaven.

Every household must have a supply of matzos to last eight days and some Passover wine, distilled especially for the occasion, for the Sedorim, or the ceremonial feasts of the first two nights which form the most striking feature of the entire holiday.

These are symbolic suppers. The table must be prepared for them during daylight, but the ceremonies do not begin until after nightfall. Last evening, the first feast, or Sedor, took place.

The nature of the feast is as follows:

On a dish three matzos are placed, each covered separately and on them are placed in order the bitter herbs—horse radish or lettuce, which are taken in commemoration of the bitter work the Israelites were forced to perform in Egypt; raw parsley, dipped in yellowish electuary, which is taken in remembrance of the clay which they had to stamp in the land of the Pharaohs; the shank bone, which is a memorial to the Passover lamb; the egg, a memorial of the sacrifices brought during the Passover, when the Hebrews dwelt in their own land.

What is wanted first at the ceremony must be placed nearest to the head of the family, who presides at the feast.

Women and children all participate in the feast, and the mother of the household details to them the history of their ancestors' deliverance from Egypt.

To emphasize the liberty which their forefathers gained, every Hebrew father is considered a king at these feasts and every mother a queen. As a sign of their great freedom, they lean back and recline rather than sit at the table.

The men are dressed in the muslin, full-flowing white death robes, ready to follow the call of the Meseiah, like their forefathers in Egypt. During the feasts, many prescribed plays are recited in quaint Oriental melodies that were never written and have come down from generation to generation, it is said, for hundreds of years.

Four cups of wine must be drunk during the Sedorim. The cup must have the capacity of a revitth or of an egg and a half. Everything that is eaten and drunk during the feasts is done so according to the prescribed order of the services.

The following opening prayer of the service breathes the spirit of the occasion:

"Lo This is the bread of affliction which our ancestors ate in the land of Egypt; let all those who are hungry enter and eat thereof and all those who are in distress come and celebrate the Passover. At present we celebrate it here, but the next year, we hope to celebrate it in the land of Israel. This year we are aliens, but next year we hope to be freemen in the land of Israel."

But it may not be amiss to say that while the invitation to the poor and distressed of the first part of the prayer is always justified in deed, the latter part thereof is said more out of custom than out of conviction or belief.

A quaint feature of the Sedor is the following four questions, which the youngest member of the family asks the father or the mother of ceremonies:

Wherefore is this night distinguished from other nights? Any other night we may eat either leavened or unleavened bread, but on this night only unleavened bread; any other night we may eat any species of herbs, but this night only bitter herbs; any other night we do not dip even once, but on this night twice; on all the other nights we eat and drink either sitting or leaning, but on this night we all recline."

The answer is recited by the father: "Because we were slaves unto Pharaoh in Egypt, and the Eternal, our God, brought us forth from thence with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; and if the Most Holy, blessed be He, had not brought forth our ancestors from Egypt, we and our children and children's children, had still continued in bondage to the Pharaohs in Egypt; therefore, although we were all wise, all of us having knowledge in the law, it nevertheless is incumbent upon us to discourse of the departure from Egypt, and all those who largely discourse of the departure from Egypt are to be praised."

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CHAPLAIN KILLED

Missionaries at Shang Hai Murdered.

THE DEMANDS OF THE AMERICAN CONSUL

That the Soldiers be Disarmed.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Shanghai, April 7.—It is reported here that a chapel in Chung King of the Kinsu Province, belonging to an American mission has been attacked by rioters and some persons of the mission have been murdered. The United States consul has demanded from the Taotl, first that the soldiers shall be disbanded; second, that the murderers shall be put to death and the ringleaders be arrested; third, that 500 taels be paid as compensation for the chapel destroyed; and fourth, that full protection be given to the missionaries when they return.

Several skirmishes are reported to have occurred in Formosa between the armies and rebels. The result of the Japanese general's election shows that neither the opposition nor the government parties will have a working majority in the next Diet without the adherence of neutrals. It is stated that the United States government intends to establish a consulate at Vladivostock.

WOMAN FOR MAYOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Boise, Idaho, April 7.—Miss Jessie E. Parker was elected Mayor of Kendrick Idaho, after a spirited contest. Her opponent was one of the most popular men in the city.

INDIANS ARE UGLY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

Fort Duchesne, Utah, April 7.—News from Ouray is to the effect that Indians are going in large numbers toward the mouth of Willow Creek in White River and the Uncompahgres are highly incensed at the allotment commissioners for their dilatory action. An Indian agent, Cornish, has left for the Willow Creek district to inform the Indians that the lands are open for settlement and that the whites were entitled by law to squat there.

The Utes are very ugly and one shot, accidentally or otherwise, may precipitate trouble.

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THE JUVENILE DIAMOND.

The Alpines would like to challenge the Mammoths for a game April 10. Please answer this challenge. Signed —James Kelley, Manager of the Alpines.

SMOKED HER PIPE.

An old woman smoking a pipe called at the police station last night to ask for shelter. She said she had come from Nashua to look for a lost boy and had not the wehrewithal to return. Captain Kew provided for her.

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